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#### INTRODUCTION

An accurately written representation of Korean diction has been in my thoughts since my study at Hanyang University in Seoul, Korea. While studying Italian, English, French and German diction, I came to realize that no manual for Korean diction existed.

Originally, I wanted to write a Korean diction manual for Korean singers as my master's thesis. While that was never accomplished, that idea has served as the impetus for this document.

This lecture document is A Study Korean Diction for Singers.

Such a manual can be useful to Western singers who wish to explore Korean art song. Western style Korean art song has a history of less

than one hundred years. That period seems insignificant considering that Korea has 5,000 years of cultural history and 3,000 years of music history. There are, however, a great number of Korean art songs, choral works, and even operas composed in the Western music tradition.

Even though the quality of much of this music is superior, these works are not well known outside of Korea. One reason may be that there is no manual of Korean diction. Fortunately, there are some dissertations and theses on topics related to Korean diction.

Due to the uniqueness of the Korean language, there are many technical difficulties in using the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA). Previous studies have had to rely on the IPA and the McCune-Reischauer Romanization for Korean pronunciation. Although I appreciate these achievements, I find their work confusing.

My solution has been to rely on standard symbols, IPA, with some altered symbolds for Korean sounds that are impossible to express using standard IPA. For some letters that are difficult to express in IPA, I used three additional symbols for IPA; ['] for certain

non-plosive consonants  $^{\dagger}$  along with an explanation, ["] for stopped and not really pronounced consonants, and  $[\cup]$  for liaison. For a better understanding of Korean pronunciation, this manual compares Korean with English, German, French and Italian.

Although learning to speak and understand Korean is not an easy task, reading Korean is easier because it is a phonetic language. There are some exceptions due to liaison, progressive assimilation of consonants and vowel gradation. Non-Korean speakers may be overwhelmed by the characters in the Korean alphabet. After learning all 40 characters and the basis for combining them, one should be able, with proper effort, to read Korean.

Ideally, one should understand basic Korean grammar in order to pronounce Korean correctly, but grammar is beyond the scope of this lecture document. This study includes guides for accurate pronunciation. It also includes example songs of selected prominent Korean composers set in IPA. The lecture demonstration will provide a brief introduction to the Korean alphabet, and selected Korean songs have been chosen to demonstrate the pronunciation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These consonants are usually in between consonants and used as bahtchim. ( *bahtchim* will be dissused on page 20.) Because of the next consonant, the bahtchim has a hint of pronounciation without completion.

I also include a cassette tape in which correct Korean pronunciation is demonstrated. Korean song texts provide the basis for illustrating the correct pronunciation of the language in the paper and lecture demonstration.

There is very little information available on the lives and works of most Korean composers. Isang Yun and ByungDong Paik are exceptions. Few actual dates of composition are known, consequently I have relied on those dates provided by HyonMyong  $O^2$ .

Unfortunately, Korean singers also have diction problems with their own language just as all singers have with their native tongues. I hope this study can become the basis for correct Korean diction for singers.

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  O, p. 109. Hyon-Myong O (1924-): Korean singer (baritone-bass), writer, opera director, and educator.

PART I : KOREAN LANGUAGE AND MUSIC

A. Background

Achieving proper pronunciation, including correct accentuation, is among the greatest challenges in learning any foreign language. One of the main difficulties concerns the correct use of tongue and teeth. Some languages, Korean among them, require positions of the mouth and tongue that may be unfamiliar to singers who are accustomed to speaking and singing Western languages. Yet, there are some characteristics shared by Korean and

some Western languages. I will examine their similarities and dissimilarities by comparing and contrasting them.

It is common practice to use *Hoch Deutsch* for German classical singing, and British English for the singing of most English classical pieces. Although there are no such "high" or "low" language distinctions applied to Korean singing, there should be some guidelines for consistent pronunciation.

It is not uncommon for singers to fail to make audiences understand their mother tongue when it is sung. As in all languages, range and pitch concerns frequently make Korean sung texts difficult to understand. Korean songs may be more difficult to sing or understand because for two main reasons: 1) they contain so many final consonants, making it harder to sing with a legato line; 2) Korean consonants are generally much softer than those of Western languages, which makes it harder to sing with correct pronunciation without exaggeration.

For non-Korean speakers, learning the Korean alphabet itself can be a challenge. Once this is accomplished, reading Korean is less

daunting. It is because Korean is a phonetic language<sup>3</sup> and the Korean alphabet system is scientific<sup>4</sup>.

A word is formed with an initial consonant (single, double, or silent  $^{\circ}$   $^{\circ}$ ), a medial vowel, and a final consonant (single, some

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Some Iniguistics argue that *Hangul* is a pictographic language which was derived from Chinese characters. (Hoyt, p. 23).

<sup>4 &</sup>quot;Hunminjongum was unique in many respects.... First, it was based on the articulatory phonetic theory. That is to say, the shape of the basic letters was modelled [sic] on the actual shape of the articulatory organs [sic] involved in pronouncing the sounds represented by the letters. For instance, the letter [g or k] represents the velar sound since it resembles the shape of the tongue blocking the 'throat'; the letter 'represents the lingual sound or dental/ aveolar sound in modern teminology since it resembles the tongue touching 'the upper jaw', i.e., upper teeth or teeth ridge; and the letter " represents the labial sound since it resembles the shape of the lips, etc. In this manner the five basic letters were established and the twelve remaining consonant letters were derived by adding to each of the five basic letters one or more additional stroke [sic] or symbol [sic] which indicated other phonologically relevant phonetic features or different manners of articulation at homorganic points of articulation. The eleven vowel letters were likewise formulated on the basis of phonetic observations, of which three letters,  $| [ ^{\circ} \text{ or } ) |$ ,  $| [ ^{\circ} \text{ or } ) |$ or ui] and [i] were taken as basic and the eight remaining vowel letters were derived by different combinations of the three basic letters. (The first of these three basic letters has been discarded in the modern orthography.) Secondly, Hunminjongum, although formulated on a purely phonetic basis, was a phonemic alphabet in its actual application. And there is sufficient evidence (e.g. the recognition of three positions, initial, medial and final, in the syllable and the statements concerning the distribution of sounds at the three positions of a syllable, etc.).....The third characteristic of Hunminjongum is found in the spelling principle decreed by the king, according to which letters were to be combined, in accordance with the prescribed rule, into syllable blocks and not in a linear succession as in European languages......For instance, syllables like /mag/ 'certain' and /nun/ 'eye' would be arranged in actual writing as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> odoes not have any sound value when it is used in the initial position.

<sup>6</sup> Some words are formed without a final consonant.

double or compound). These final consonants are called *bahtchim*<sup>7</sup>. A final consonant may or may not occur. The order of writing and reading a word is from left (consonant) to right (vowel) and from top (consonant and vowel) to bottom (final consonant). There are six organizational structures<sup>8</sup> in written Korean. They are:

<sup>7.</sup> More information is on page 20.

 $<sup>^8</sup>$  These diagramatic ideas are from 'Korean fonts' by S. Todd Stubbs and Sol Yang Hwan via internet. (See also appendix for writing Korean Alphabet Chart)

"Although the *Hangul* system of writing is very simple, it is not easy to devise a consistent system of spelling out the words of the language. That is because the sounds of words depend on the words around them." Therefore, in order to understand this system, one needs to be aware of the grammar rules related to pronunciation.

<sup>9</sup> Matin, p.7.

From among the nine main dialects in South and North Korea, I will limit this study to the "standard Korean (*Pyojoonmahl*)" spoken in schools and newscasts. The Grand Korean Dictionary published by Kumsung Publishing Co. defines *Pyojoonmahl* as "the language used by educated people in the Seoul area". Unlike Western languages, standard Korean has flat intonation and the accent is usually on the first syllable. While the standard Korean is monotonic, all other dialects have severe inflections. The exception would be sentences ending in the form of a question where, as in English, the pitch rises.

I have consulted with singers, both native and non-native Korean speakers, for this study to compare and describe the physiology of diction. This study will be a help in a bridge of understanding between the Korean and Western culture.

B. A Short History of the Korean Language and Music

## 1. The Korean Language

The Korean language originated from the Altaic region of Eurasia. Korean is related to the Turkish, Mongolian, and Japanes

<sup>10</sup> Kim, p. 2740.

languages. Even though Korea is closely related to China geographically, culturally, and politically, their languages are totally different. Koreans still use Chinese characters and terminology despite the fact that the Korean alphabet and grammar are different from Chinese.

## 2. The Invention of the Korean Alphabet

Hangul, the Korean alphabet, was invented in 1443 by six scholars of the Royal Academy of Chiphyonjon, established by the fourth king of the Yi-dynasty, King Sejong (1418-1450). At first Hangul was called as *Hunminjongum*, which means, "the right sounds to teach the nation". Its name was changed to *Hangul* by Sikyong Joo in 1910.<sup>11</sup>

Before *Hangul* was invented, Korean borrowed Chinese characters for wtitten communication. Chinese characters were not only difficult to learn, it was also impossible for them to express Korean idioms. They could not express accurately the sounds of the Korean language because Chinese writing and phonologic structures

<sup>11</sup> Martin, p. 6.

are very different from Korean. As a result many common people were illiterate.

Sympathizing with the predicament of the common people, King Sejong ordered the six scholars in the Royal Academy of Chiphyonjon [RAC] to invent a new Korean alphabet that would be easy to learn and followed the sounds of the spoken language. In the preparation of this alphabet the RAC studied speaking voices as well as singing voices. The scholars were even sent to foreign countries to study the foreign sounds so that the new alphabet could transcribe any language completely. Since the King was very much interested in music and art, he included Yeon Park, the chief of the Royal Academy of Music, as one of the scholars in the RAC.

The first book written in Hangul was a didactic cycle of poems,  $\begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}$ 

3. The Uniqueness of Korean Diction

There are no nasal<sup>12</sup> sounds in Korean. There are no words

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 12}$  There is  $[\eta]$  in Korean, but it is not a physical nasal sound.

beginning with 'I' or 'r'. For that reason people still make mistakes pronouncing 'I' as 'r' or vice versa, although Korean people can distinguish and pronounce both 'I' and 'r'.

Korean is an unaccented language. Yet, in general, native speakers put accents on the first syllables of words. There are no tone changes except for emphasis or in interrogatives.

Similar to French and Italian, the Korean language frequently employs liaison and elision. When  $\ ^{\circ}\ [i\partial\eta]$  appears as the initial syllable, and is appended to a syllable with a final consonant, that consonant shifts to become the onset of the second syllable  $\ ^{i3}\ (e.g.,\ ^{\frac{\varpi_i}{2}}[pal],\ ^{\circ}_{=}\ [\partial l],\ but\ ^{\frac{\varpi_i}{2}}\ ^{\circ}_{=}\ [pa\ r\partial l]\ ).$  The pronunciation of the consonant may change slightly with this shift.

## 4. A Short History of Korean Music

Korean culture is 5,000 years old, and its folk music and dance have been practiced for 3,000 years. "The earliest literary source on Korean music is the chapter on Korea in the *San-kuo* (The history of

<sup>13</sup> Martin, p. 29.

the Three Kingdoms) by Chen Shou (297 A. D.)."<sup>14</sup> Culturally and politically, China had the greatest influence on Korea until the late 19th century. Chinese ritual music (*A-ak*) was introduced to Korea about 1116 A. D. It includes Confucian temple music and music for the shrine of royal ancestors<sup>15</sup>. Since then, both native Korean music, *HyahngAk*, , and Chinese music co-existed and developed into a new traditional Korean music<sup>16</sup>.

Korean traditional art songs can be divided into four genres by the style of singing: 1) *GahSah*, narrative song; 2) *GahGok*, lyric song; 3) *ShiJo*, short lyric song; 4) *PahnSoRi*, an epic song. These later were to influence Korean music composed in Western style.

The first Korean music written in Western style was for band. It was written during the end of Yi dynasty in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century.

Christian hymn tunes, first introduced into Korea by missionaries around 1885, became the basis of the secular song form *Chang-Gah*.

These secular songs gave expression to patriotic feelings and later resistance to Japanese imperialism. The first Western style Korean

<sup>14</sup> Lee, Hye Gu. p. 319.

<sup>15</sup> Feliciano, p. 34.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> "While the main elements of music in Western music are melody, rhythm, and harmony, melody, rhythm, form, and improvisation are the four main elements of Korean traditional music. As in Western music, one octave in Korean music is divided into twelve half steps. However, the pentatonic scale is mainly used for Korean music while the heptatonic scale is used for Chinese music." (Song, p. 634).

art song, *BongSunHwa*, "Balsam Flower", was written in 1919 by Nahn-Pah Hong.

Two main types of classical music exist in Korea<sup>17</sup>: Korean National Music<sup>18</sup>, *GugAk*, and Western Style Music, *YahngAk*. After Korea started adopting Western culture in the late 19th century, Korea did not have much opportunity to develop music expressing its own style. Therefore, compositional styles in the early 20th century still show a mixture of Classical and Romantic music. Changes in society and the political climate were also reflected in changes of compositional styles. Stylistic changes also can be seen in poetic choices.

The first period extends from the first Western style music (around 1890) to the time of Korea's independence (1945). In this period, song texts tended to be patriotic, showing resistance against Japanese Imperialism. These songs expressed the sorrow of the people who had lost their country. The second period directly follows the Korean independence (1945) until the Korean War (1950-53).

<sup>17</sup> Limited to South Korea in this paper.

<sup>18</sup> Korean National Music can be divided into two categories: court music and folk music. Both can be instrumental or vocal.

no involvement in politics. After the Korean War post-Romanticism became the main compositional style. The term 'Modern' was first used by UnYoung Nah in his song, "Ninety-nine Sheep" written in 1952. From this point on atonality was increasingly used in composition. 19 Even after independence and the end of the Korean War, there were many poems and songs dealing with social and political issues. Their texts increasingly expressed frustration toward the military government and the bourgeois.

A Korean musicologist, Dr. GahngSuk Lee, has done extensive research on this subject. GahngSuk Lee observes three generations<sup>20</sup> of composers during this time, each with their own style characteristics. The fisrt generation (1890-1945) wrote music in simple major and minor scales. Composers practiced writing in Western musical style of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. The main composers are NahnPa Hong, SungTae Kim, DongJin Kim, HungRyul Lee, et al.

The second generation (1945-1950s) composers attempted to escape the old style, and create new and advanced techniques. Their

<sup>19</sup> GahngSuk Lee, p. 306.

<sup>20</sup> Ibid., p. 293-314.

music is more modern, and 20<sup>th</sup> century style atonality was introduced and practiced. The composers are ByungDong Paik, SukHee Gahng, YongJin Kim, JeongGhil Kim, JaeYeol Park, HaeJoong Yun, In Yong Nah, In Chan Choi, JeonMook Kim, JoonSahng Park, DongSun Choi, Mahn Bahng Lee, OoSahng Im, JongGoo Lee,...et al.

The third generation (1960-1980s) of the composers mainly tried to combine the modality and music ethics. It was partialy a Nationalistic movement. The composers are GunYong Lee, ByungEun Yu, SungHo Whang, JoonIl Gahng, TaeYong Jeong, YoungHan Huh,...et al.

Korean Art songs with Korean traditional rhythms in compound meters were often written, usually 6/8, 9/8, or 12/8, written in the 50s and 60s (e.g., Isang Yun's early five songs,ByungDong Paik's 'GahngGahng Suwol Lae,' DooNahm Cho's 'Seh Tah Ryung',....et al.). However, some songs are written with mixed meters, or entirely unmetered, as well as introduced atonality (e.g., ByungDong Paik's 'Swamp', YoungSuh Choi's 'ChooUk', .....et al.).

#### PART II: THE KOREAN ALPHABET

The Korean alphabet has 21 vowels and 19 consonants: 8 single vowels and 13 semi-vowels, and 14 single consonants and 5 double consonants. Korean words are formed with a consonant plus a vowel, but sometimes there is an extra final consonant included to form a word (bahtchim)<sup>21</sup>. All 14 single and 2 of the 5 double (<sup>77)</sup> and <sup>44</sup> consonants can function as a bahtchim, and additionally 11 more possible final compound consonants exist.

 $<sup>^{21}\</sup>textit{bahtchim}:$  a final (consonant or consonant cluster) on the end of  $\,$  a Korean orthographic syllable. (Kim, p. 714.)

#### A. The Vowels

### Pure vowels

Hangul	IPA	
1.	[a]	
2.	[^]	
3	[o]	
4. ⊤	[u]	
5. —	[6]	
6.	[i]	
7.	[e]	
- D		

# Semi-Vowels

1.	}	[ja]
2.	1	[j^]
3.	ш	[jo]
4.	П	[ju]
5.	A	[jε]
6.	刌	[je]
7.	_]	[ði]
8.	7	[6w]
9.	1	[wi]
10.	1	[wa]
11.	7-11	[wæ]
12.		[we]
13.	_H	[we]

## B. The Consonants

# Single Consonants

Han	gul	Transliteration	Name	IPA
1.	ds7 no	ghiyuk	[gij\g"]	den IPA dan [g]
2.	L	niun	[ni∂n]	[n]
3.	T	digut	[dig∂t"]	[d]
4.	2	riul	[riðl]	[l] or [r]
5.		mium	[mi\deltam]	[m]
6.	H	biup	[bi∂p"]	[b]
7.	人	shiot	[Jiot"]	[s]
8.	Ò	eeung	[i∂η]	[η] final/ no sound as initial
9.	ス	jiut	[3'i∂t"]	[3']
10.	ス	tigut	[tʃiðt"]	[tʃ]
11.	7	khiyuk	[kij∧k"]	[k]
12.	E	tigut	[tig∂t"]	[t]
13.	$\overline{\Sigma}$	piup	[pi∂p"]	[p]
14.	ò	hiut	[hi∂t"]	[h]

# **Double Consonants**

1.	רר	ssahng ghiyuk	[s'aη gij∧g"]	[k']
2.	CC	ssahng digut	[s'an dig∂t"]	[t']
3.	日日	ssahng biup	[s'aη bi∂p"]	[p]
4.	×	ssahng shiot	[s'aη ∫iot"]	[s']
5.	77	ssahng jiut	[s'aη 3'i∂t"]	[ts]

### Compound consonants

These consonants are only used as *bahtchim*, final consonants, and cannot be used as either initial or median positions. Since the pronunciation of these *bahtchim* are determined by the surrounding words, no single pronunciation on written IPA can be used. Koreans simply refer as reading names of *Hangul* from left to right (e.g., *ghiyuk- shiot, niun-jiut,...*et al.).

1. ¬ҳ	ghiyuk shiot	[gij∧k ∫iot"]
2. 13	niun jiut	[ niðn 3'iðt"]
3. 18	niun hiut	[ niðn hiðt"]
4. 27	riul ghiyuk	[ ri∂l gi j∧g"]
5. 20	riul mium	[riðl miðm]
6. ₹⊌	riul biup	[riðl biðp"]
7. zz	riul shiot	[ri∂l ∫iot"]
8. ≥€	riul tigut	[riðl ti gðt"]
9. ₂п	riul piup	[riðl piðp"]
10. ≥	riul hiut	[riðl hiðt"]
11. ਖ਼ੁਟ	biup shiot	[bi∂p"∫iot"]

#### PART III: PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

In Korean there are many nuances or gradations of plosive consonants in addition to the plosive and non-plosive sounds of Western languages. Most Korean consonants are softer than those of European languages, and many of them are almost dropped without actually being pronounced. For example, my name, Misook, is pronounced as [misug] not [misuk] with an aspirated [k]<sup>22</sup>. The final consonant from my name is closer to [g] than [k]. One of the most common mistakes made by Westerners is pronouncing Korean consonants too strongly. Although it is important to enunciate clearly, one should not overly pronounce Korean. Hyon-Myong O, the author of <u>Understanding and Performing Korean Lieder</u>,

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 22}$  see also explanation of ghiyuk in consonants part for details.

indicates in his book that even some Korean singers who studied abroad make the mistake of pronouncing Korean consonants too strongly due to Western language influence.

#### A. The Vowels

There are two types of vowels in Korean; eight pure vowels and thirteen semi-vowels (diphthongs). "The position of the tongue is higher, and the shape of the lips is a little less rounded for Korean vowels than those of English in general"<sup>23</sup>. Some vowels are not clearly differentiated<sup>24</sup> by Korean native speakers, and some are pronounced as totally different<sup>25</sup> vowels.

Vowel Chart: Park, F. Y.T. (p. 22)/ Illustration of the relative tongue position

	Front	Central	Back
High	li નોü	_ ŭ	— u
Mid	ी <b>е</b> ⊅1ö	- F	그 0
Lo	ΨHε	l-a	o, grief)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Park, F.Y.T. p. 22.

<sup>24</sup> \_ are sometimes not differenciated.

<sup>25</sup>  $\parallel$  &  $\parallel$  are sometimes mis-pronounced (e.g.,  $\parallel$   $\parallel$   $\parallel$  [se ge] (three),  $\parallel$   $\parallel$   $\parallel$  [se ge] (world)...etc.),  $\parallel$  is pronounced as  $\parallel$  (examples see 'vowels' especially,  $\parallel$ ).

Pure Vowels: +, +, -, -, |, +, +

[a] is similar to the English word 'father', but Korean is less frontal and less bright than that of 'father'.

ex: of the [a p'a] (daddy)

아침 [a tʃim] (morning, breakfast)

 $^{7}$  [ga  $^{3}$ 'a $\eta$ ] (a head of family, disguise, most)

말다 [mal t'a] (clear, clean, limpid)

[∧] is similar to 'up', 'cut', and 'such' in English, but more open than those words. Korean is pronounced between [⊃] and [∧]. Yet, the majority of Korean words with this vowel are pronounced as short. The jaw needs to be relaxed and dropped naturally while pronouncing this vowel.

ex: 어머니 [^ m^ ni] (mother)
서러움 [s^ r^ um] (sorrow, grief)
머나면 [m^ na m^n] (far and far)
면 나라 [m^n na ra] (far away country)

[o] is close to [o] in 'omit' in English. There is only one kind of closed [o] in Korean. The lips should be rounded, and care should be taken not to open the mouth too widely.

ex: 오빠 [o p'a] (brother)
소리 [so ri] (sound)
금 [gom] (a bear)
오후 한 [on wha han] (warm, mild, gentle)

□ [u] is similar to [u] in the English word 'soon'. This back vowel is pronounced while rounding the lips. Yet, usually [u] in Korean is not as lengthy as that of English, and not as short and dark as [U] like 'muss' in German. There are some words that need to be differentiated in length, because duration changes their meanings (e.g., □ [nun] (eye), □ [nu:n] (snow)).

ex: 우산 [u san] (umbrella)
구두 [gu du] (shoes, boots)
무우 [mu u] (Asian radish)
순국 [sun gug] (patriotic martydom)

foreigners. By the same token, Koreans have much difficulty of learning Western [ $\partial$ ] and [i] as well. [ $\partial$ ] in Korean is like the *Schwa* sound in German. However, while [ $\partial$ ] in German is unaccented and short in length, [ $\partial$ ] in Korean has longer in length. Also,[ $\partial$ ] in the final e of the German word *Liebe* and e of the French word *je* are pronounced with more space between the upper and lower teeth than one would allow in Korean. In order to practice this sound correctly, one needs to have almost no space between the teeth while opening the lips slightly and make a sound as if disgusted.

ex: 그네 [gð ne] (swing)
은 은 하다 [ðn ðn ha da] (sonorous, reverberating)
를 품 [sðl pðm] (sadness, sorrow)

튼 튼 한 [tðn tðn han] (healthy, strong)

[i] is between [I] and [i] in Western languages. It is not too bright, nor too dark. Yet, there are some Korean words slightly more forward than the others (e.g.,  $\stackrel{\circ}{\leftarrow} \stackrel{\text{li}}{=}$  [u bi]= rain coat). In general, the tongue position of this vowel is further back than in English (e.g.,

 $\exists$  [gim s'i] =Mr. or Ms. Kim). There is less space between teeth the for Korean than English. One can almost pronounce it without even opening one's mouth.

ex: ोयोगी [gi**3**'i gɛ] (stretching)

씨앗 [s'i at] (seed(s))

치명적[tʃi mjʌŋɜ'ʌg"] (fatal)

 $\square \triangleq [mi \ d\partial m]$  (trust, confidence, credit)

 $\{\epsilon\}$  is similar to  $[\epsilon]$  in the English words 'guest', 'well'. Relax the lips and jaw while pronouncing it. Sometimes, it is mis-pronounced like [je] in Korean colloquial conversation.

ex: <sup>♀</sup><sup>○</sup> [u ε] (friendship)

새장 [sɛ ₃'aŋ](bird cage)

아무구가 [ɛ gug" k'a](Korean National Anthem)

가게구리26 [gɛ gu ri] (a frog)

| [e] is close to the French word 'été'.

ex: 세상 [se san](world)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> it is often pronounced as [gje gu ri] by Korean native speakers

Semi-Vowels (diphthongs): 
$$\dagger$$
,  $\dagger$ ,  $\bot$ ,  $\top$ ,  $\dagger$ ,  $\bot$ ,  $\dagger$ ,  $\bot$ ,  $\dagger$ ,  $\bot$ 

There are three types of diphthongs in Korean: W-diphthong, Y-diphthong, and  $\partial$ -diphthong. In practice, Korean diphthongs are similar to Italian paired vowels. In normal words other than pronouns, pronounce the first vowel and move to the second part of the vowels as quickly as possible (e.g.,  $piet\hat{a}$  [pjeta] in Italian). Especially, when a word starts with consonantal initial, the 'w' and 'y' parts are almost inaudible, but the second part of the diphthongs are longer.

1. Y-diphthongs 🕴, 🙏, ш, т, 🕆, 🕆

[ja] is pronounced as in the German 'ja'. After pronouncing the semi-vowel [j], quickly move to [a]. Start with [i] mouth position, then open the mouth quickly and pronounce [a].

ex: 야수 [ja su] (beast)

가름한 [gja r∂m han] (thin, slender, delicate)

다 글 [dal gjal] (egg)

아구 [ja gu] (baseball)

 $[j\wedge]$  is created with a position of the mouth almost like the open

 $[\supset]$ . After pronouncing the semi-vowel [j], open the mouth like  $[\supset]$  or

 $[\wedge]$ .

ex: <sup>○↑</sup>를 [j∧ r∂m] (summer)

겨울 [gjʌ ul] (winter)

멸시 [mjʌl s'i] (disdain)

변호사 [bjʌn ho sa] (lawyer)

ije] sounds similar to the first part of the English word 'Yale', and 'jeder' in German.

ex: 예술 [je sul] (arts)

피병 [pje p'jʌŋ] (a lung disease)

계절 [gje 3'시] (season)

ैं भी [gʌŋ gje] (border, caution, precaution, watch)

[jɛ] is close to the first part of the English word 'yell', 'yellow', 'yen', 'yet'.

ex: 여 아 [jɛ ja] (idiom for calling a child)
아 아 [jɛ gi] (story, a reduced word form of 이 아 이 [i jagi])

[jo] is close to the initial syllable in the German word 'Joseph'.The shape of the mouth is round, and small.

ex: 요란 [jo ran] (loud)
요설 [jo sul] (magic)
교묘한 [gjo mjo han] (skillful, ingenuous, clever...)
선교 [sʌn gjo] (mission)

 $\pi$  [ju] is close to the English word 'you'. The shape of the mouth is again rounded and small.

ex: 유리 [ju ri] (glass (es))

Exceptions occur contractions from [i]+ vowel, and words of foreign origin.

The three W-diphthongs,  $\tau^{\parallel}$ ,  $\tau^{\parallel}$ ,  $\tau^{\parallel}$ , are difficult to distinguish even among Koreans. They are often pronounced too similarly, and even cross pronounced by native Koreans.

 $\rightarrow$  [wa] combines the vowels of  $\rightarrow$  [o] and  $\uparrow$  [a]. The shape of the mouth opens to [o] and quickly opens [a]

일 가 [il gwa] (daily schedule)

과수원 [gwa su wʌn] (an orchard, a fruit garden)

완전 [wan 3'^n] (perfection)

[we] combines consecutively the vowels is of + [o] and + [i]. However, it is pronounced [o + e] with the stress on the second vowel.

Pronouncing [w] and the first part of the diphthong in an English word 'way' would be one of the closest sound to \_-].

ex: 의국 [we gug] (foreign country)

질인 [3'we in] (criminal)

기물 [gwe mul] (a monster)

소) 뿔 [swe p'ul] (a cow's horn)

 $\bot$  [wɛ] combines consecutively the vowels of  $\bot$  [o] and  $\dagger$  [ɛ]. It is similar to the English word 'wed'.

ex: 도비지 [dwe 3'I] (pig)

쇄국[swɛ gug"] (national isolation)

ज्ञी <sup>ड्रो</sup> [pje swɛ] (closing, closure, a lock out)

[wœ] combines consecutively the vowels of  $\neg$  [u] and || [e]. However, the initial sound is pronounced similarly to the German ö in 'möchte', but one needs to change the shape of the mouth slightly in order to complete  $\neg$  in Korean whereas one should not change the shape of the mouth for the German 'ö'.

ex: 케벌 [gwœ bjʌn] (deceptive talk, a paradox)

윈일 [wœn"nil] (what matter)

[wi] combines the vowels of + [u] and [i]. It is similar to the French word 'oui'. Begin by pronouncing [u], and quickly move to [i].

ex:  $\stackrel{\circ}{\rightarrow}$   $\stackrel{\circ}{\leftarrow}$  [wi an] (consolation)

추 기 [tʃwi 3'i] (the meaning, the point)

 $\neg$  [w $\land$ ] combines vowels of  $\neg$  [u] and  $^{\uparrow}$  [ $\land$ ]. It is similar to the English 'worry'. To pronounce it, move quickly from [u] to [ $\land$ ].

ex: 원래 [w시" lɛ] (originally)

휜하다 [hwʌn ha da] (be broad and wide)

#### 3. ∂-diphthong

- [ $\partial$ i] combines vowels of - [ $\partial$ ] and | [i]. Start pronouncing [ $\partial$ ] as if pronouncing 'good' in English, then change to [i] as quickly as possible.

ex: 의사 [ði sa] (doctor)

의 자 [∂i 3'a] (chair)

However, when - [ $\partial i$ ] is used as the possessive particle (of), ordinarily pronounced as + [e].

ex: 누구의 [nu gu e] (whose)

내 동생의 [nɛ doŋ sɛŋ e] (my younger sibling)

When – is used in the position of median, it is pronounced as [i].

ex: 희디 현 [hi di hin] (very very white)

The tongue moves forward when pronouncing it, where as the pure [i] does not require tongue movement.

#### B. Consonants

Korean consonants are softer than those found in Western languages. Therefore, as I have said before one should not exaggerate articulation. All the consonants can be used as *bahtchim* (final consonants), except three double consonants: 

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Musical example 1: from <sup>한 가 위</sup> 를 [han ga wi dal] by YongHa Yun Illustrating bahtchim in []



There are four types of consonants categorized by physical involvement: labial, dental, velar, and glottal.

## 1. Labial Consonants <sup>ਖ</sup>, [bi∂p] [b]

This consonant changes the pronunciation by the position.

When it is used in initial or final positions, is pronounced between [b] and [p], and that is accomplished by thinking of a little bit of plosive [p] while pronouncing [b]. [b] is used in IPA.

ex: 보리밭 [bo ri bat"] (wheat field)

발 [bab"] (cooked rice)

When it is used in median position,  $^{\boxminus}$  is pronounced as [b] or [m]. When  $^{\boxminus}$  is preceded by letters of  $^{\backprime}$  or  $^{\boxminus}$ ,  $^{\boxminus}$  is pronounced as [m].

ex: 급사 [gabs'a] (fine gauze),

but 갑니다 [gamnida] (go), 접 미사 [jum misa] ( a suffix)

Any other cases in median position are pronounced as pure [b]:

ex: 가방 [gabaŋ] (backpack)

아버지 [abʌɜ'i] (father)

<sup>ы</sup>, [s'aη bi∂p], [p']

This double consonant is always pronounced like [p'] in Italian 'padre'. Put lips together as if biting with two lips. However, in order to differentiate with  $^{\text{II}}$  I will modify the IPA to [p'] for this sound. Before pronouncing [p'], close lips together and try  $[\partial p]$ , without actually pronouncing, then push the two lips together.

ex: ﷺ ﷺ [p'a r∂da] (quick, fast)

뽐내다 [p'om nɛ da] (take pride)

<sup>□□</sup> [p'j∧] (bone)

뿔 [p'ul] (a horn)

## $^{\Sigma}$ , [pi $\partial$ p], [p] or [b"]

This consonant is always pronounced as a plosive [p] when it is used as an initial position.

ex:  $\overline{x}$  [pa] (green onion)

파토 [pa do] (wave)

When it is used as a *bahtchim*, and ends with this consonant or followed by a consonant, it is pronounced as  $^{\boxminus}$ .

ex: 무릎 [mu r∂b"] (knee)

\frac{\pm}{\pm} [n∂b"] (swamp)

But, when it is used as a *bahtchim*, and followed by  $\circ$  [i $\partial \eta$ ], it is pronounced as [p].

ex:  $\Box \equiv \Box = [\text{mu r}\partial p \partial l]$  (knee (used as object in a sentence))

### <sup>□</sup>, [mi∂m], [m]

This consonant is always pronounced as [m]

There is no [f] and [v] in Korean diction except for borrowed words from foreign languages. This is one of the reasons that Korean students have difficulty differentiating [f] and [p], and [v] and [b].

#### 2. Dental Consonants

## $^{\mathsf{L}}$ , [di g $\partial t''$ ],[d] or[t']

This consonant changes the sound by the position as well. An initial  $^{\Box}$  is pronounced as between [t] and [d], but more close to [d] with feeling of [t]. It is also softer than Italian [d] as 'Dio' or 'due'.

ex: 단호 [dan puŋ] (autumn tints)

달리기 [dal li gi](running)

When  $[\operatorname{dig}\partial t'']$  is used in median position in a word,  $[\operatorname{dig}\partial t'']$  either becomes sound of [t'] or it affects following consonant. (e.g.,  $\frac{1}{2} \mathbb{C}^{1}$   $[\operatorname{dot}'' t'$  an be] (a sailing boat)).

ex 1: When  $[\operatorname{dig}\partial t'']$  is used as a *bahtchim*, it is pronounced closer to [t] with stopping instead of too much of plosive sound. ex 2: when  $[\operatorname{dig}\partial t'']$  is used as a *bahtchim* and preceded by a consonant, the next consonant becomes a hard sound.

for ex 1 & 2, 달구 [dat" k'o] (to close)

돈보기 [dot" p'o gi] (magnifying glasses)

곧 장 [got" ts"aη] (immediately)

ex 3: when preceded by some *bahtchim*,  $^{\frac{1}{n}}$  [t]i  $\partial t''$ ],  $^{\frac{1}{n}}$  [ti  $g\partial t''$ ], and  $^{\frac{1}{n}}$  [gi  $j \wedge g''$ ], [dig $\partial t''$ ] is pronounced as [t'] (e.g.,  $^{\frac{1}{n}}$   $^{\frac{1}{n}}$  [mut"t'a] (bury),  $^{\frac{1}{n}}$   $^{\frac{1}{n}}$  [m $\wedge g''$  t'a] (eat)).

## tt, [s'aη di g∂t"], [t']

This double consonant is always pronounced as [t'], but it is a non-plosive consonant. Just like Italian [t]s (i.e., tuo). It is much more dentalized than  $[dig\partial t'']$ . The sound is something between a triple 't' and triple 'd', then push the gum line between upper teeth and the frontal part of the hard palate.

ex: 딸기 [t'al gi] (strawberry)

때 [t'ɛ] (time , occasion, opportunity, dirt) 따뜻한 [t'a tðt" tan] (warm)

E, [ti g∂t"], [t]

It is always pronounced as a plosive [t] when used as an initial consonant. In order to differentiate with  $^{tt}$  [t'], I will use [t] for IPA symbol.

ex: [to jo il] (Saturday)

ठो हो [3'aη t∧] (market place)

However, when  $^{\Xi}$  is used as a *bahtchim* and followed by a consonant  $^{\Xi}$ , it is pronounced as [t'].

ex: 같은 [ga t∂n] (equal), but 같다 [gat" t'a] ((is) equal)

<sup>ス</sup> [3'i ∂t"], [3']

1. When  $[3'i\partial t'']$  consonant is used in an initial position, it is pronounced as between [t] and [3], but closer to [3]. Yet, when it is used in median position,  $[3'i\partial t'']$  is pronounced as [3']

ex: 잠자리 [3'am 3'a ri] (dragonfly)

저녁 [3'^ nj^g] (evening)

- 2. When  $[\mathbf{3}'i\partial t'']$  is used as a *bahtchim*, there are two possiblilities:
- (1) When it is preceded by a consonant,  $^{\times}$  [3'i  $\partial t''$ ] is pronounced as stopped [t"], and next consonant becomes hard sound.

ex;  $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim} [\mathbf{3}'at'']^{\Box}$  [da], but  $\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}^{\Box}$  [3'at" t'a] (often, frequent: verb.)

(2) When it is preceded by a vowel, <sup>x</sup> [3'i ∂t"] is pronounced as
[3'] and becomes the initial consonant of next word.
ex: <sup>x</sup>→ <sup>a</sup> [3'a 3'∂n] (often, frequent: adj.)

<sup>∞</sup>, [s'aη **3**'i ∂t"], [ts']

This double consonant is always pronounced as [ts']. Similar to 'pizza' in Italian. However, it does not include much of [t] sound in Korean. While one has to touch the gum line with the tongue to pronounce 'pizza', the tongue position is further back for the Korean  $^{\infty}$ . Also, the space between the teeth is smaller, and the position of the lower jaw is less forward. ex:  $^{\infty}$   $^{\infty}$  [tsa  $^{3}\partial\eta$ ] (irritation)

<sup>₹</sup>, [tʃi ∂t"],[tʃ]

This consonant is always pronounced as  $[t\hat{\ }]$  when used in an initial position.

ex: 추수 [tʃu su] (harvest)

 $\stackrel{\text{\tiny ?}}{\rightarrow} \stackrel{\text{\tiny ?}}{\hookrightarrow} [t Ju \land g'']$  (recollection, nostalgia, remembrance)

When  $[t | i \partial t'']$  is used as a *bahtchim*, there are three possibilities depending upon the initial consonant of the following letters:

- $\bar{z}$  [tʃi $\partial$ t"],  $\Box$  [ni  $\partial$ n], and  $\Box$  [di g $\partial$ t"]
- (1) it is pronounced as  $\bar{z}$  [t/i $\partial$ t"] when followed by  $\bar{z}$  [i  $\partial\eta$ ].
- (2)  $[t | i \partial t]$  is pronounced as  $[ni \partial n]$  when  $[t | i \partial t]$  is followed by  $[ni \partial n]$ .
- (3) it is pronounced as  $^{\Box}$  [di g $\partial t''$ ] when followed by other consonants.

 $[t]i \ \partial t'']$  bahtchim becomes the initial consonant of the next word when followed by  $^{\circ}.$ 

ex: ᆗ나다 [bin" na da] (shines),

프나카라 [k'on" na ra] (flower world)

but 불이나다 [bitʃi na da] (shines)

꽃받에 [k'ot"p'at ɛ] (in a flower garden), 꽃이피다 [k'ot] i pi da] (flower is blooming)

And one should elongate the vowel in words with the \*\*

bahtchim:

Music Example 2: from  $^{\stackrel{\wedge}{\hookrightarrow}} \stackrel{\circ}{\cap} \stackrel{\circ}{\Rightarrow}$  [san ju hwa] by Sung Tae Kim Illustrating  $^{\bar{\pi}}$  bahtchim in [].

# <sup>^</sup>, [∫i ot"], [s] or [∫]

It is pronounced [s] or [ $\int$ ]. When [ $\int$ i ot"] is preceded by the semi-vowel [w] or [y], it is pronounced as [ $\int$ ], and everything else is pronounced as [s]. However, [ $\int$ ] in Korean is different from that of Western languages. [ $\int$ ] in Korean has just very little aspiration while still pronouncing [s].

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ex: 시원한 [ʃi won han] (cool)

쉬다 [ʃwi da] (to rest)

When single [ʃi ot"],, not combined with other consonants, is used as the final consonant, it becomes a stopped consonant [t"]. I describe it as a stopped consonant because [t] should almost not be pronounced. Pretend that you are about to pronounce [t], but do not pronounce it. However, when [ʃi ot"] bahtchim is used within a sentence preceded by a consonant or vowel, the [ʃi ot"] bahtchim is pronounced either  $\[ [ni\partial n], \[ [di g\partial t"] \] \] or \[ [fi ot"] \]$  ex:  $\[ \Box \uparrow \circlearrowleft \[ [da s \land d"] \] = five, \[ \circlearrowleft \[ [sed"] \] = three$ 

# \*, [s'anη ʃi ot"], [s']

It is pronounced [s']. Its sound is similar to Italian 'rossa' or English 'someday', but there is no stopping between two ss as sometimes occurs in Italian. Although it is a non-plosive consonant, sometimes there is some airiness in its pronunciation.

ex: 
$$\langle s'i \text{ at}'' \rangle = \text{seeds}$$

$$^{\text{씨}}$$
 비 리 다 [s' $\wedge$  b $\wedge$  ri da]= used up

When  $[s'an\eta \int i ot'']$  is used as a *bahtchim* and preceded by a consonant, it is pronounced as [d'']. It also affects to the next consonant by making it hard. In this case [d''] is very short and dentalized.

 $^{\mathsf{L}}$ , [ni  $\partial$ n], [n]

It is pronounced as [n]. Exception: when [ni $\partial$ n] is followed by letter  $^{\exists}$  [ri $\partial$ l],  $^{\vdash}$  [ni $\partial$ n] is pronounced as [ri $\partial$ l]. There is no double [ni $\partial$ n] in Korean.

ex: 🖰 🌣 [nam 3'a] (male)

바지 [ban 3'i] (a ring)

연도 [j∧n do] (a year, period)

다 [jʌn ma] (grinding, abrasion, polishing)

but 연루[jʌl lu] (involvement, implication)

### ², [ri∂l], [r] or [l]

This is pronounced [1], [r], or between [1] and [r]. There are no Korean words starting with [riðl] except those borrowed from foreign languages. These are pronounced either laterally [1] or as flipped [r]. For of this reason foreigners often find that many Koreans pronounce 'Ribbon' as 'Libbon'.

Words are pronounced with a lateral [ri∂l]:

(1) the lateral [l] occurs as a final consonant. To pronounce it, the tip of the tongue touches behind of the gum line as in the English words 'love', 'clear', or 'live'.

ex: [dal da] (sweet)

ੂੰ ਸ਼ਾਹੀ [al mɛŋ i] (core)

(2) when [ri $\partial$ l] is preceded by  $\circ$  [i  $\partial\eta$ ], [ri $\partial$ l] is pronounced between [l] and [d]. The tongue position almost touches the hard palate as in pronouncing the English words of 'real' or 'hill'.

ex: 열 일곱 [jʌl il gop"]

Words are pronounced with a flipped [r]:

(1) when it is intervocalic. It is close to the lightly and rapidly pronounced 't' sound in the English words 'city', or 'water'.

ex: (ar a jo] (know it)

놀아나다 [nor a na da] (cheat, play)

(2) borrowed words from foreign languages which originally were spelled with  ${\rm 'r'}$  or  ${\rm 'l'}$ .

ex: 리본 [ri bon] (ribbon)

로열티 [lo jʌl ti] (loyalty)

#### 3. Velar Consonants

¬, [gi j∧g"], [g]

Initial and final *Ghiyuk* is pronounced between [k]and [g]. One should still think of pronouncing [g] with a little bit of plosive [k] feeling.

기적 [gi 3'^g"] (miracle)

Middle Ghiyuk is pronounced as [g] or  $[\eta]$ 

ex: 기억력 [gian rag"] (memory power)

", [s'aη gi j∧g"], [k']

It is mostly pronounced as a hard [k'] without plosives. It is similar to [k'] in Italian words such as 'cara', 'che', 'cosa',..., et al. I find that some American singers have trouble pronouncing hard [k'], [p'],and [t']. In order to practice non-plosive [k'], think of pronouncing in between threeGs (ggg) and two Ks (kk) without plosives. That is the [k'] in Korean as well. When double ", used as a bahtchim, is preceded by or ", and are pronounced as".

ex: 가 아지르다 [k'a k'a 3'i rð da] (rise steeply)
가 가 [k'a k'ɛ] (a sharpener)

³, [ki j∧g"], [k]

This consonant is always pronounced as a voiceless aspirated [k].

ex: 커다란 [kʌ da ran] (big, huge) 시커먼 [ʃi kʌ mʌn] (dirty black) 달콤한 [dal kom han] ( sweet)

°, [i ∂η], [o]

When  $^{\circ}$  is used in the initial position, it has no sound value.

ex: ° | ° | [a i] (child)

역 이 [jʌn in] (lovers)

ੂੰ ਾੇ [in ∧] (mermaid)

However, when it is used as a *bahtchim*, it is a voiced and nasal sound.

ex: 양징스러운 [aŋ ɜ'iŋ sð rʌ un] (cute, lovable)

숭어 [suŋ ʌ] (a gray mullet)

် ် [saŋ njaŋ ] (nice, kind)

<sup>c</sup> ວັງ [∂n hɛη] (a bank, a gingko)

#### 4. Glottal Consonant

## <sup>Ѣ</sup>, [hi ∂t"], [h]

It is one of the consonants that changes its pronunciation depending on its neighbor consonant(s). When it is used in an initial position, it is a voiceless glottal consonant.  $\overset{\circ}{}$  also affects

pronunciation of a consonant of the next word depending on the surrounding consonants.

When used in a final word as a bahtchim, it becomes [t"] sound:

ex: ठे डि [hi∂t"]

When  $^{\circ}$  used as a *bahtchim* and is followed by  $^{\neg}$ , it becomes [k]

ex: 하형계 [ha jat" ke] (to be white)

When  $^{\circ}$  is followed by  $^{\Box}$ , it becomes [t]

ex: 까맣다 [k'a mat" ta] ((it is) blak)

When bahtchim is followed by , it becomes [t]]

ex: 졸지요 [3'o tʃi jo] ((it is) good, (I) agree...)

When  $^{\circ}$  is preceded by  $^{\boxminus}$ , it becomes [p]

ex: 급하다 [gu pi da] (to bend)

When bis used as a bahtchim that is followed by a vowel, by

loses its sound value.

ex: 좋아요 [3'0 a jo] but 좋다 [3'0 ta] as seen above.

## 5. The final compound consonants (only used as bahtchim)

When compound consonants, which are used as *bahtchim*, are preceded by a vowel, the second part of the compound consonant has the sound value of the next phonetic syllable. Yet, if the final compound consonants are preceded by a consonant, the first part of the compound consonant has the sound value for the next phonetic syllable.

- 고 삯을 치르다 [ag" s'ðt∫i rðda] (make payment), but 삯 바느질 [sag ba nð 3'il] (sewing charges)
- ᅜ 악하시[an a sʌ] (by sitting), but 앉다[an t'a] (to sit)
- 말 장은[gat" tsan ∂n] (insignificant), but 말장다 [gat" ts'an ta] (be insignificant)
- ਰ ੀ ੀ ਫ਼ਿਕਿ jo] (read), but ੀ ਾਂ [il t'a] (to read)\*27
- ≅ ंचे ् [sal m∂i](life's), but क्षे ्रे ा [sam gwa] (life and, or with life), and क्षे [sam] (life)
- ಜ ್ಜಿ 🤤 [jal b∂n] (thin), but 🖫 🗆 [jal k′o] (thin and...)

<sup>26.</sup> root of verb form; ends with.... [da] or [t'a]

ಬ ಫ್ಲ [ol] (a compensation, indemnity, recompense)

- 로 할다[[hal t'a] (to lick, to taste), but 출발이 막다 [hal ta mʌg" t'a] (eat by licking)
- ᆲ 읇어대다 [ðl p^ dɛ da] (recite), but 읇조리다 [ðp 3'o ri da] (recite)
- a 알아눌다 [a ra nup" t'a] (in bed with sickness), 알다 [al ta]
  (being sick)
- ᆹ 없이요 [ʌb" s'ʌ jo](is lacking), but 없다 [ʌb" t'a] (do not have)
  - \*Bahtchim that change the pronunciation:
  - 1)  $^{\bowtie}$ ,  $^{\sqcap}$ ,  $^{\sqcap}$ ,  $^{\sim}$ ,  $^{\wedge}$  are pronounced as  $^{\bowtie}$ ,  $^{\sqcap}$ ,  $^{\sqcap}$ ,  $^{\sim}$ ,  $^{\wedge}$ 
    - A. When preceded by plosive consonants
    - ex: 약보 [ag"p'o] (musical note) 닫고 [dat" k'o] (to close)
  - B. When preceded by a '1' final word
    - ex: 실수 [sil s'u] (mistake) 백설기 [bɛ g" s'ʌl gi] (white rice cake)
  - 2)  $^{\square}$ ,  $^{\square}$ ,  $^{\square}$ , are pronounced as  $^{\square}$ ,  $^{\square}$ ,  $^{\square}$ ,  $^{\square}$ , when preceded by a verb stem ending in  $^{\square}$ ,  $^{\square}$  or  $^{\square}$ ,  $^{\square}$

ex: 닭다 [dam t'a] (resemble) 않지요 [an tsi jo] (let's sit)

3)  $\varpi$ ,  $\bowtie$  become  $\bowtie$  when they are used as *bahtchim* in a single word, or are preceded by a consonant.

ex: ਹੋ [gab"] (price)

 $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$  [gib" k'o gi p $\partial$ n] (deep and deeper)

4) <sup>E</sup>, <sup>A</sup>, <sup>A</sup>, <sup>A</sup>, <sup>become <sup>E</sup> when preceded by a consonant

ex: 및다 [mʌd" t'a] (stops)

왔고 [wad" k'o] (came)</sup>

5) אור, אור, פו become when used as a final bahtchim, or preceded b a consonant

ex: [dag"] (chicken)

들복다 [dll bog" t'a] (annoy, harass)

6) $e^{\Box}$ ,  $e^{\Xi}$ ,  $e^{\Box}$  become  $e^{\Box}$ ,  $e^{\Xi}$ ,  $e^{\Box}$  when  $e^{\Box}$ ,  $e^{\Xi}$ ,  $e^{\Box}$  are used as a bahtchim and followed by a consonant or no word.

ex: 약자 [an tsa] (let's sit)

ab [sam] (life) 등 다 [dam t'a] (resemble)

- 8) ㅂ, ㄷ, ㅈ become a, s, d when followed by a or s
  ex: 미국 [mi gug"] (America), but 미국 남자 [mi guŋnam 3'a]
  (American man)
- 9) become when followed by of preceded by  $^{=}$ .
  - ex: Žd z [t∫∧l li] (a thousand miles)
- 10) 도, 토 become 조, 호 when followed by or o
  ex: 근하다 [gat sida] (be locked, jailed)
  다 이 [gat si] (together)
- 11) ા or a is pronounced <sup>\*\*</sup>, <sup>\*\*</sup>, <sup>\*\*</sup> when they are followed by <sup>\*\*</sup>, 
  <sup>\*\*</sup>, and <sup>\*\*</sup>.

  ex: 일본나서 [al ko na sol] (after being sick)

좋지않다 [3'o tʃi an ta] (it is not good)

12) \* loses the sound value:

When ≥ is followed by , ^

ex: 🚉 느냐 [al n∂ nja] (is ..... ill?)

When bis followed by by

ex: [man" ne jo] (it is a lot)

13) <sup>t</sup>, become <sup>t</sup> when followed by <sup>t</sup>

ex: 밑다 [mid" t'a] (to believe), but 밑습니다 [mi s'ðm ni da] (I believe...)

14)  $^{\wedge}$  become  $^{\, \cup}$  when followed by  $^{\, \circ}$ 

ex: ੱਧੇ ਹੈ [k'ɛn" nip] (sesame leaves)

Part IV: Composers and Works

## A. Composers

## 1. Byung Dong Paik (1936-)

The Korean composer Byung Dong Paik was born in Manchuria, China on January 26, 1936. When he was seven years old, his family returned to Korea. He studied piano as a child. He was very sensitive and had a good ear. Even though it was very difficult to find recordings and scores of Western style classical music at his time, he was able to purchase some of them in a flea market. Those are the Beethoven's Sixth & Ninth symphonies and Schubert'Winterreise, which increased his awareness of harmony and eventually led him to study composition.<sup>28</sup>

In 1955 he entered Seoul National University (SNU) where he studied composition with HoeKap Chung. After he graduated from SNU he became a music teacher at Kyong-Dong High School and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Aekyung Park, p. 1.

Seoul Girl's Technical High School. In 1969, he studied abroad at the Staatliche Hochschule für Musik in Hannover, Germany where he studied contemporary music theory as a German government scholarship recipient. During his Germany residency he met Isang Yun, another important Korean composer. After returning to Korea, he taught at EWha Women's University. Since then, he has been teaching at his old school, Seoul National University.

Although the majority of his compositions are instrumental music, art songs are where his heart is<sup>29</sup>. Paik finds the "true Korean sound" to be "unlike the Western sound, which pursues outer beauty." He goes on to say that "the Korean sound expresses emotion that is dissolved inside, or exposed emotion with finely and delicately resonated feeling which started from lingering effect."<sup>30</sup>

His works, numbering over 100, include orchestral works, chamber ensembles, instrumental music, songs, choral works, ballets, opera, and some other dramatic pieces. The awards and the recognition he has earned are the Annual Korean New Composer's Prize, the *Wolgan Eumak* Prize, the first Korean National Composer's Prize, and the Cultural Prize of Seoul.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> O, p. 246.

<sup>29</sup> Ibid

#### 2. Isang Yun (1917-1995)

This Korean-German<sup>31</sup> composer and educator was born in 1917 in *TongYong* (now called *ChoongMoo*), South Korea. He studied Western music in Korea as well as in foreign countries such as Japan, France, and Germany. At the Osaka conservatory as well as in Korea he studied music theory and violincello. His teachers were Tony Aubin, at the Paris Conservatory, and Boris Blacher, Josef Rufer, and Reinhard Schwarz-Schilling, at the *Berlin Hochschule für Musik*.

Isang Yun's compositions are considered to be a fusion of Western and Eastern music. H. Kunz says in the New Grove

Dictionary of Music and Musician that "Yun's fundamental aim is the development of Korean music through the means of Western music, a combination of Far Eastern performing practice with European instruments, and an expression of Asian imagination in terms of contemporary Western techniques."<sup>32</sup>

<sup>31</sup> He became a German citizen.

<sup>32</sup> New Grove vol. XX p. 607.

Chang also indicates in his dissertation that "Isang Yun had successfully combined certain dissonance and melodic ornaments of peculiar Korean traditional music to Western music" (Chang, p. 7.) As an educator he taught music in *TongYong* and *Pusan*, and Seoul National University. He also taught at the *Hannover Hochschule für Musik*. He received various awards and recognition, among them the Seoul City Award, and the *Kiel Kulturpreis*. The composer withdrew his earlier works from circulation.

#### 3. YeonJoon Kim (1914-)

YeonJoon Kim, composer and founder of the *Hanyang*University in Seoul, Korea, studied violin from the age of 8. He entered *YonHee* College, now called *Yonsei* University, where he majored in literature, and studied music privately. In 1939, when he graduated from *Yonsei* University, he gave the first solo vocal recital in Korea.

While working as an administrator, he also has been an active composer. He gave his first composition recital in 1972, he has continued to have music performed internationally in Japan,

<sup>33</sup> Chang, p. 7.

Germany, United States of America, and Taiwan. Among his 3,000 compositions, about 1,500 songs have been published.

#### 4. SoonAe Kim (1919-)

The first Korean woman to compose in the Western style, SoonAe Kim was born in AnAk, WhangHae. She studied music at *EWha* Women's University, and at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York. While teaching at *EWha* Women's University, she traveled in France, Germany, the Netherlands, and in the United States of America with a UNESCO Scholarship. She has composed about 130 songs.

#### 5. YoungSub Choi (1929-)

YoungSub Choi was born in 1929 in GahngWha, KyungGhi. He studied piano first, but changed to composition due to his short fingers. After he entered the Korean National University, he studied composition with SungTae Kim. His works include songs, symphonies, cantatas, instrumental music, and instrumental ensemble.

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#### B. Works:

Texts and Music with Phonetic Transcriptions, IPA and Translations<sup>34</sup>

1. Gahng-gahng Suwol Lae<sup>35</sup>

Song by ByungDong Paik, Poem by TongJu Yi

강강술래

백병동

gahng gahng sul leh [gan gan sul" le]

여울에 몰린 은어떼

yuh oo reh mol lin un uh tteh [j∧ ur e mol"lin ∂n ∧ t'e] A shoal of fishes, rushing in a swirl

삐삐꽃 손들이 둘레를 짜면

ppi ppi kkot son du ri dool leh rul tsa meon [p'ip'i k'ot" son d∂r i dul"le r∂l tsa mj^n] Flower hands make a circle

달 무리가 비잉빙 돈다

dahl moo ri gah bee ing being dohn dah [dal mu ri ga bi in bin don da] the moon-ring turns round.

가아용 수윌래에

gah ah ung soo wol leh eh [ga a an su wal" le e]

"Gahng-gahng suwol lae"

목을 빼면 설움이 솟고

mogul ppeh meon suh rumi sot kko [mog ∂l p'ɛ mj∧n s∧r um i sot"k'o] sentiment in high tone.

<sup>34</sup> To aid in better understanding, I put Korean texts, transliterations, IPA, and tranlastions in order.

<sup>35</sup> Nonsense word used in a Korean folk dance

백장미 밭에 공작이 취했다

back tsang mi bateh gohng jahghi chee hetta [bɛg tsaŋ mi bat e goŋ ¾ag i tli het" t'a] A peacock got drunk in the white rose garden.

뛰자 뛰자 뛰어나 보자

ttwe jah ttwe jah ttwe uh nah boh jah [t'wi 3'a t'wi 3'a t'wi ∧ na bo 3'a] Jump. Jump. Let us jump.

강강술래

gahng gahng sool leh [gaŋ gaŋ sul" lɛ] Gahng-gahng suwol lae.

뉘 누리에 댕기가 감긴다

nwe noo ri eh dehng ghi gah gahm gin dah [nwi nu ri e dɛŋ gi ga gam gin da] Fathoms long hat-feathers whirl,

열 두발 상모가 마구 돈다

yeol ttoo bahl sahng mo gah mah goo dohn da [j\l t'u bal saη mo ga ma gu don da] tapes twist around the grain stack.

달빛이 배이면

dahl pee chee beh i meon [dal p'it]i be i mj\n] Once permeate, the moonlight

술보다 독한것

sool boh dah do kahn gut [sul bo da dog" kan g^t"] is stronger than drink.

기폭이 찢어진다

ghi po ghi tsee juh jin dah [gi pog i tsi 3' ^ 3' in da] Banners are torn,

갈대가 쓰러진다 gahl tteh gah ssu ruh jin dah [gal t'e ga s'd r A 3'in da] reeds fall down.

강강술래 gahng gahng sool leh [gan gan sul" le] Gahng-gahng suwol lae,

여울에 몰린 은어떼 삐삐꽃 손들이 둘레를 짜면 무리가 비잇빗 수윌래에 술보다 독한 것 찢어진다 쓰러진다

강강술래

A shoal of fishes rushing in a swirl Flower hands make a circle, the moon-ring turns round. "Gahng-gahng suwol lae" sentiment in high tone. 밭에 공작이 취했다 A peacock got drunk in the white rose garden. 보자 Jump. Jump. Let us jump. Gahng-gahng suwol lae. Fathoms long hat-feathers whirl, tapes twist around the grain stack. Once permeate, the moonlight is stronger than drink. Banners are torn, reeds fall down. Gahng-gahng suwol lae. (trans. by Won Ko, p. 121).

## 강강술래







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## 2. Traditional Attire

Song by Isang Yun, Poem by JeeHoon Cho

고풍 의상

윤 이상

goh poong ui sahng [go puη ∂i san]

하늘로 날을듯이

hah nul loh nah rul ttuh shee [ha ndl" lo nardl t'd ʃi] As if about to fly up to the skies

길게 뽑은 부연 끝 풍경이 운다

ghee geh ppoh bun boo yeon kkut ppuhng gyong ee oon dah [gil ge p'o b $\partial$ n bu j $\wedge$ n k' $\partial$ d" pu $\eta$  gj $\wedge$ ni un da] Long, stretches out wind chime tinkles

처마끝 곱게 느리운

chuh mah kkut gobkkeh nuhreeuhn [tʃʌ ma k'ðd gob" k'e n**ɔ**riun] Hanging gently down from the roof

주렴에 반월이 숨어

jooryeomeh bahnwohree soomuh
[3'u rj\me ban w\ri sum \ri]
On the edge of the eaves, the half moon is hidden,

아른 아른 봄 밤이 ahrun ahrun bohm bahmee [a rðn a rðn bom bam i]

두견이 소리처럼 깊어가는 밤

doogyeonee soh ree chuh rum gheepuh gahnun bahm [du gj∧n j so ri t∫∧ r∧m gi p∧ ga n∂n bam] Like the cuckoo' s singing, spring night grows deeper

고와라 고와라 진정 아름다운지고

goh wah rah goh wah rah jeen juhng ah ruhm dah uhn jee goh [go wa ra go wa ra 3'in 3'∧n a r∂m da un 3'i go] It is fine, so fine, truly beautiful

호장 저그리 하얀 동정이

ho jahng juh goh ree ha yahn dongjuhngee [ho 3'aη 3'^ go ri ha jan doŋ 3'^ŋ i] White collar of the grand jacket

화안이 밝도소이다

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wha ahn hee bal ttoh soh ee dah [hwa an hi bal t'o so i da] is exquisitely bright

열 두폭 긴 치마가

jeol ttoo pohg gheen cheemahgah [j^l t'u pog" gin tli ma ga] A twelve-fold long skirt

사르르르 물결을 친다

sah ruh ruh ruh mool kkyeorul cheen dah [sa r∂ r∂ r∂ mul k′j∧ r∂l t∫in da] Makes smooth waves

그대는 어느나라의

guh deh nun uhnuh nah rah eh  $[g\partial$  de  $n\partial n \wedge n\partial$  na ra e] You are from some As if about to fly up to the skies

고전을 말하는 한마리 호접인양

goh jeon uhl mahl hah nun hahn mah ree hoh juhb een yahng [go  $3' \land n \partial l$  mal ha  $n \partial n$  han ma ri ho  $3' \land b$  in jan] as if a butterfly who speaks classic tale

사뿐히 춤추라

sahppoonhee choomchoorah [sa p'un hi tʃum tʃu ra] Dance with light steps

아미를 숙이고 나는 이 밤에

ahmeeruhl soogeegoh nah nun i bahmeh [a mi rðl su gi go na nðn i bam e] Tonight, lowering my eyebrows, I 옛날에 살아 눈 감고

yenahreh sahrah noon gahm kkoh [jen" nar e sar a nun gam k'o] shall live in the past, while closing my eyes

거문고 줄 골라 보리니

guh moon goh jool gohllah bohreenee [g^ mun go 3'ul gol" la bo ri ni] Shall pick on the GuhMoonGoh 36

가는 버들인양 가락에 맞춰

gah nun buh duhl in yahng gah rageh ma chuh [ga n∂n b∧ d∂ rin jaŋ ga ra ge ma tʃwʌ] As if a thin willow, following the rhythm

흰 손을 흔들어지이다

wheen sohnul hun dul tsee uh dah [whin so nðl hðn dðl tsi ^ da] shall wave my pale hand.

하늘로 날을듯이 길게 뽑은 부연 끝 풍경이 운다 저마끝 곱게 느리운 주람에 반월이 숨어 아른아른 봄 밤이 두건이 소리처럼 깊어가는

아미를 숙이고 나는 이 밤에

<sup>36</sup> Korean six string harp

옛 날에 살아 눈 감고 거문고 줄 골라 보리니 가는 버들인앙 가락에 맞추 흰 손을 흔들어지이다

As if about to fly up to the skies Long, stretches out wind chime tinkles Hanging gently down from the roof On the edge of the eaves, the half moon is hidden, Like the cuckoo's singing, spring night grows deeper

It is fine, so fine, and truly beautiful White collar of the grand jacket is exquisitely bright A twelve-fold long skirt Makes a wave smoothly You are from a country, as if a butterfly who speaks classic tale Dance with light steps

Tonight, lowering my eyebrows, I shall live in the past, while closing my eyes Shall pick on the GuhMoonGoh As if a thin willow, following the rhythm shall wave my pale hand. (trans. by the author of this document)

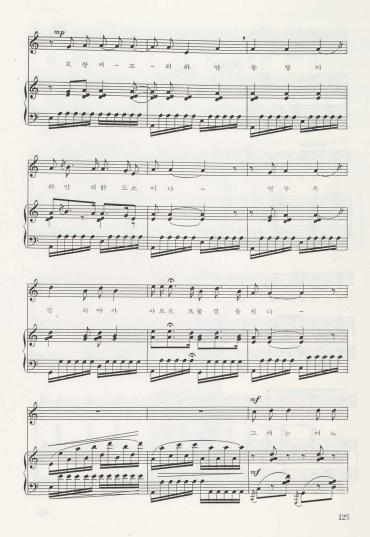




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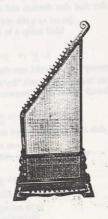
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# 3. Song of My Hometown

Song by SooIn Yi, Poem by JaeHo Kim

그향의 노래

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이 수인

goh hyahng eh noh reh [go hjaη ε no rε]

국화꽃 져버린 겨울 뜨락에

goo kwah kkot juh buh reen gyeo ool ttu rah geh [gu kwa k′ot″ 3′∧ b∧ rin gj∧ ul t′∂ rag e] In a winter garden where all chrysanthemums are gone

장 열면 하얗게 뭇 서리 내리고

chahng yeol myeon hah yah keh moot suh ree neh ree goh [t]aŋ j $\wedge$ l mj $\wedge$ n ha jat" ke mut" s' $\wedge$  ri n $\epsilon$  ri go] When opening the windows, white frost forms

나래 푸른 기러기는 북녁을 날아간다

nah reh poo run ghee ruh ghee nun boong nyeo gul nah rah gahn dah [na rɛ pu r $\partial$ n gi r $\wedge$  gi n $\partial$ n buŋ nj $\wedge$ g  $\partial$ l nar a gan da] Wild young geese fly to the north

아, 이제는 한적한 빈들에 서보라

ah, ee jeh nun hahn juhkahn bin duhreh suh boh rah

[ a i 3'e n∂n han 3'∧k an bin d∂r e s∧ bo ra]

Ah, now stand in the middle of a quiet field

고향길 눈속에선 꽃등불이 타겟네

goh hyahng kkil noon soh geh sun kkod ttung ppooree tah gehneh [go hjaŋ k'il n:un s'og e sʌn k'od" t'ðŋ p'ur i ta gen" ne] in a road in my hometown, covered with snow, flower lights must be flaming

달가고 해가면 별은 멀어도

dahl gah goh heh gah myeon byeo run muh ruh doh [dal ga go h $\epsilon$  ga mj $\wedge$ n bj $\wedge$ r  $\partial$ n m $\wedge$ r  $\wedge$  do] When moon and sun are gone, stars are far away

산골짝 깊은골 초가마을에

sahn kkol tsahk gee pun gohl choh gah mah ureh [san k'ol tsag gip ∂n gol t∫o ga ma ∂r e] A small town in the deep mountain 봄이오면 가지마다 꽃잔치 흥거우리 bohmee oh myeon gah jee mah dah kkot jahnchee hung gyeo oo ree [bom i o mj∧n ga⁵i ma da k'ot" tsan tji h∂n gj∧ u ri] In the spring time, all the flowers will blosom

아, 이제는 손모아 눈을 감으라 ah, ee jeh nun sohn moh ah noonul gahm urah [ a i 3'e n∂n son mo a nun ∂l gam ∂ ra] Ah, now close your eyes and hold your hands together

고향집 싸리울엔 함박눈이 쌓이네 goh hyahng tseeb ssahree oorehn hahm bahng noonee ssah ee neh [go hjaŋ tsib s'a ri ur en ham baŋ nu:n i s'a i ne] Bush fances in your hometown are coverd with large flakes of snow.

국화꽃 저버린 겨울 또락에 창 얼면 하얗게 못 서리 내리고 나래 푸른 기러기는 북녁을 날아간다 아, 이제는 한작한 빈들에 서보라 고항길 눈속에선 꽃등통이 타겟네

달가고 애가면 별은 멀어도 산골짝 깊은골 초가마을에 봄이오면 가지마다 꽂잔치 흥거우리 아, 이제는 손모아 눈을 감으라 고향집 싸리울엔 함박눈이 쌓이네

When opening the windows, white frost forms
Wild young geese fly to the north
Ah, now stand in the middle of a quiet field
Flower lights must be flaming in a road,
which is covered with snow, in my hometown

When moon and sun are gone, stars are far away
A small town in the deep mountain
In the springtime, all the flowers will blossom like a feast
Ah, now close your eyes and hold your hands together
Bush fancies in your hometown are covered with large flakes of snow.
(trans. by the author of this document)







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#### 4. Because of You

Song by SoonAe Kim, Poem by NahmJo Kim

그대 있음에

김순애

guh deh it ssu meh  $[g\partial d\epsilon i s'\partial m e]$ 

그대의 근심 있는 곳에

guh deh jeh gun shim in nun goh seh [g $\partial$  de  $\epsilon$  g $\partial$ n sim in" n $\partial$ n go se] Where your apprehension is,

나를 불러 손잡게 하라

nah rul bool luh sohn jahb kkeh hah rah [na rðl bul" l^ son **3**'ab k'e ha ra] Call me so that I can be there.

큰 기쁨과 조용한 갈망이

kun ghi ppum gwah joh yong hahn gahl mahng ee [k $\partial$ n gi p' $\partial$ m gwa 5'o joh han gal ma $\eta$  i] Great joy and quiet desire

그대 그대 있음에

guh deh guh deh it sum eh  $[g\partial d\epsilon \quad g\partial d\epsilon \quad i \text{ s'}\partial m \text{ e}]$  you, because of you.

내 맘에 자라거늘

neh nahm eh jah rah guh nul [ nɛ mam e 3'a ra g∧ n∂l] grows in me

오, 그리움이여

oh, guh ree oom ee yeo [ o g∂ ri um i j∧] Oh! longing,

그대 있음에 내가있네

guh deh it sum eh neh gah it neh [ gð dæ i s'ðm e næ ga i ne] Because of you, I exist. 나를 불러 손잡게 해 nah rul bool luh sohn jahb kkeh heh [na r∂l bul″ l∧ son 3′ab k′e hɛ] Call me so that I can hold your hand.

그대의 사랑 문을 열 때 guh deh jeh sah rahng moon ul yeol tteh [ gð dεε sa raŋ mun ðl j∧l t'ε] When your love opens the gate

내가 있어 그 빛에 살게 해 neh gah it suh guh bee cheh sahl geh heh [nɛ ga id″s′∧ g∂ bit[e sal ge hɛ] I exist to dwell in the lights

사는 것에 외롭고 고단함 sah nun guh she weh rohp kkoh goh dahn hahm [sa n∂ g∧s e we rob" k'o go dan ham] life's loneliness and exhaustion

그대 그대 있음에 guh deh guh deh it sum eh [gð dɛ ɡð dɛ i s'ðm e] you, because of you

사람의 뜻을 배우니 sah rahm eh ttuh sul beh oo nee [sa ram ɛ t'ðs ðl bɛ u ni] I learn the meaning of human

오, 그리움이어 oh, guh ree oom ee yeo [ o gð ri um i jʌ] Oh! yearning

그대 있음에 내가 있네 guh deh it sum eh neh gah it neh [gð dɛ i s'ðm e nɛ ga inye] Because of you, I exist 나를 불러 그 빛에 살게 해 nah rul bool luh guh bee cheh sahl geh heh [na r∂l bul" l∧ g∂ bi t∫e sal ge hε] Call me to dwell in the lights

그대의 근심 있는 곳에 나를 불러 손잡게 하라 큰 기쁨과 조용한 갈망이 그대 그대 있음에 내 맘에 자라거늘 오, 그리움이여 그대 있음에 내가있네 나를 불러 손잡게 해

그대의 사랑 문을 열 때 내가 있어 그 빛에 살게 해 사는것에 외롭고 고단함 그대 그대 있음에 사람의 뜻을 배우니 오, 그리움이어 그대 있음에 내가 있네 나를 불러 그 빛에 살게 해 Where your apprehension is,
Call me so that I can be there.
Great joy and quiet desire
because of you.
grows in me
Oh! longing,
Because of you, I exist.
Call me so that I can hold your hand

When your love opens the gate
I exist to dwell in the lights
life's loneliness and exhaustion
because of you
I learn the meaning of human
Oh! yearning
Because of you, I exist
Call me to dwell in the lights
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# 5. Missing GumGahng Mountain Song by YungSub Choi, Poem by SahngUk Hahn

그리운 금강산

최영섭

guh ree oon guhm gahng sahn [gð ri un gðm gaη san]

누구의 주제련가 맑고 고운산

noo goo yeh joo jeh reon gah mahl kko goh oon sahn [nu gu e **3**'u **3**'e rj^n ga mal k'o go un san] Whose creation would it be clear and beautiful mountain.

그리운 만 이전봉 말은 없어도

guh ree oon mahn ee cheon bong mah run up ssuh doh [g $\partial$  ri un man i t\( \) n bo\( \) mar  $\partial$ n \( \) b''s'\( \) do] We miss the twelve thousand tops even though we would not say it.

이제야 자유만민 옷깃 여미며 ee jeh yah jah you mahn min ot kkit yeo mee meo [i **3**'e ja **3**'a ju man min ot"k'in j^ mi mj^] Finally now is the time for us to dress up

그 이름 다시부를 우리 급강산

guh ee rum dah see boo rul oo ree guhm gahng sahn  $[g\partial i r\partial m da si bu r\partial l u ri g\partial m ga\eta san]$  and call the name, Gum-Gahng Mountain, again.

수수만년 아름다운 산

soo soo mahn nyeon ah rum dah oon sahn [su su man nj∧n a r∂m da un san] Forever beautiful mountain

못가본지 몇몇해

mod gah bon jee myeon myeo teh
[mot" k'a bon 3'i mj^n mj^t ɛ]
how long has it been that we could not visit.

오늘에야 찾을날 왔나 oh nu reh yah cha jul nahl wad nah [o nðr e ja tla**3**′ðl nal wan" na] Finallý has the day come we can visit? 금강산은 부른다

guhm gahng sahn un boo run dah [g∂m gaη san ∂n bu r∂n da] Gum-Ganhng is calling us.

비로봉 그봉우리 짖밟힌 자리

bee roh bong guh bong oo ree jeet bal pin jah ree [bi ro boη go boη u ri 3'it" p'alpin 3'a ri] BeeRoBohng, the top destroyed

흰구름 솔바람도 무심히 가나

heen goo rum sohl bah rahm doh moo sim hee gah nah [hin gu r∂m sol ba ram do mu sim hi ga na] White cloud and gently breeze are passing by

발아래 산해 만리 보이지 마라

ba ra reh sahn heh mali boh ee jee mah rah [ bar a re san he mal" li bo i3'i ma ra] Do not look at the sight below the mountain, below your feet

우리 다 맺힌 원한 풀릴때까지

oo ree dah meh cheen won hahn pul lil tteh kkah jee [ u ri da mɛ tʃin wʌn han pul lil t'ɛ k'a 3'T] Until we resolve our hates and anger

수수만년 아름다운 신

soo soo mahn myeon ah rum dah oon sahn [su su man nj∧n a r∂m da un san] Forever beautiful mountain

더럽힌지 몇몇해

duh reo pin jee myeon myeo the  $[d \land r \land pin \ 3'i \ mj \land n \ mj \land t \ \epsilon]$  how long has it been being polluted (by the communists)

오늘에야 찿을날 왔나

oh nu reh yah cha jul nahl wad nah [o n∂r e ja t∫a 3'∂l nal wan" na] Finally we can visit it today 금 강산은 부른다. guhm gahng sahn un boo run dah [g∂m gaη san ∂n bu r∂n da] Gum-Ganhng is calling us.

누구의 주제련가 맑고 고운산 그리운 만 이천봉 말은 없어도 이제야 자유만민 옷깃 어미며 그 이름 다시부를 우리 금강산 수수만년 아름다운 산 못가본지 몇몇해 오늘에야 찾을날 왔나 금강산은 부른다.

비로봉 그봉우리 짖밟힌 자리 인구름 솔바람도 무심히 가나 발아래 산해 만리 보이지 마라 우리 다 맺힌 원한,풀릴때까지 수수만년 아름다운 산 더럽힌지 몇몇해 오늘에야 찾을날 왔나 금강산은 부른다.

Whose creation would it be clear and beautiful mountain. We miss the twelve thousand tops even though we would not say it. Finally now is the time for us to dress up and call the name, Gum-Gahng Mountain, again. Forever beautiful mountain how long has it been that we could not visit. Finally the day has come we can visit Gum-Ganhng is calling us.

BeeRoBohng, the top destroyed
White cloud and gently breeze are passing by
Do not look at the sight below the mountain, below your feet
until we resolve our hates and anger
Forever beautiful mountain
how long has it been being polluted (by the communists)
Finally the day has cine we can visit
Gum-Ganhng is calling us. (trans. by the author of this document)

그리운 금강산







#### 6. A Misty moon

### Song by Isang Yun, Poem by Mogwol Pak

달무리 dahl moo ree [dal mu ri] 윤 이상

달무리 또는 달무리 또는

dahl moo ree ttuh nun dahl moo ree ttuh nun [dal mu ri t'ð nðn dal mu ri t'ð nðn] A misty moon is floating, a misty moon is floating

외줄기 길을 나 홀로 가노라

weh jool ghee ghee rul nah hol loh gah noh rah [we 3'ul gi gir ðl na hol" lo ga no ra] a single path where I walked alone

옛날에도 이런 밤엔 홀로 갔노라

yen nah reh doh ee run bahm en hol loh gahn noh rah [jen" nar e do i r∧n bam en hol" lo gan" no ra] even long ago, I walked alone when the night was such as this

마음에 솟는 빈 달무리

mah um eh son nun been dahl moo ree [ma \partial m e son" n\partial nin dal mu ri] an empty mysty moon that rises in my heart

두둥둥실 띄우며 나홀로 가노라

doo doong seel ttee oo meo nah hol loh gah noh rah [du duŋ duŋ sil t'i u mj^ na hol" lo ga no ra] I float away as I walked alone

울며 가노라 옛날에도 이런 밤엔

ool meo gah noh rah yen nah reh doo ee run bahm en [ul mj∧ ga no ra jen" nar e do i r∧n bam en] Weeping, even long ago, I walked alone when the night was such as this

울며 갔노라

ool meo gahn noh rah [ul mj∧ gan" no ra] while weeping, I walked alone 달무리 또는 달무리 또는 외줄기 길을 나 홀로 가노라 옛날에도 이런 밤엔 홀로 갔노라 마음에 솟는 빈 달무리 두둥둥실 띄우며 나홀로 가노라 울며 가노라 옛날에도 이런 밤엔 울며 갔노라

A misty moon is floating, a misty moon is floating a single path where I walked alone even long ago, I walked alone when the night was such as this an empty misty moon that rises in my heart I float away as I walked alone Weeping, even long ago, I walked alone when the night was such as this while weeping, I walked alone. (trans. by the author of this document)









### 7. Red Pomegranate

Song by ByungDong Paik, Poem by MogWol Pahk

빠알간 석류 ppah ahl gahn sung lew [p'a al gan s∧η lju] 백 병동

빠알간 석류가 터져 ppah ahl gahn sung lew gah tuh juh [p'a al gan s∧ŋ lju ga t∧ 3'∧] a red pomegranate opened

영롱이 빛나는 구슬 young long hee beenah nun goo sul [jʌŋ roŋ hi bin"na n∂n gu s∂l] serenely shining glass beads

아, 사랑이 알알이 붉은마음을 맺어 ah, sah rahng ee ahl ahl ee bool gun mah um ul meh juh [a sa rani ar ar i bul gðn ma ðm ðl mɛɔ/시] ah, love connects each passionate soul

푸른 하늘가에 살포시 울러퍼지는 poo run hah nul kkah eh sahl poh shee ool lyeo puh jee nun [pu r∂n ha n∂l k'a e sal po ≸i ul" lj∧ p∧ 3'i n∂n] and gently spreads to the blue sky

사랑의 진주를 곱게 만든다 sah rahng eh jeen joo rul gob kkeh mahn dun dah [sa raηε 3'in 3'u r∂l gob" k'e man d∂n da] beautifully make the pearl of love

빨강게 퍼지는 등불처럼 ppahl gah keh puh jee nun dung ppool chuh rum [p'al ga ke pʌ 3'i n∂n d∂η p'ul tĺʌ rʌm] like a red light

행복이 스며드는 국화 주머니 속 heng boh ghee suh myeo duh nun goo kwah joo meo nee sohk [hɛŋ bo gi sð mj∧ dð n∂n gu kíwa 3'u m∧ ni sog"] happiness smears into mums 아, 아침해 빛나는 금빛 부채살 같이 ah, ah cheem heh beenah nun guhm ppit boo cheh sahl gah chee [a atʃim hɛ bin" na n∂n g∂m p'it" bu tʃɛ s'al ga tʃi] ah, morning sun, like a ray of golden fan

잔란이 마음속 깊이 스미는 유리알 같이 chahl lahn hee mah um sohk ghee pee suh mee nun you ree ahl gah chee [tʃal" lan hi ma ∂m s'og" gi pi s∂ mi n∂n ju ri al ga tʃi] and like the glass beads that brightly smears into the deep soul,

맑고 맑은 사랑의 노래를 만든다 mahl kkoh mahl gun sah sahng eh noh reh rul mahn dun dah [mal k'o mal g∂n sa raη e no re r∂l man d∂n da] makes a love song that is fresh and clear.

빠알간 석류가 터져 영롱히 빛나는 구슬 아, 사랑이 알알이 붉은마음을 맺어 푸른 하늘가에 살포시 울려퍼지는 사랑의 진주를곱게 만든다

빨강게 퍼지는 등불처럼 행복이 스며드는 국화 주머니 속 아, 아짐해, 빛나는 금빛 부채살 같이 잔란히 마음속 깊이 스미는 유리알 같이 맑고 맑은사랑의 노래를 만든다

A red ripe pomegranate opened serenely shining glass beads
Ah, love connects
each passionate soul
and gently spreads to the blue sky
beautifully make the pearl of love Like a red light
Happiness smears into mums
Ah, morning sun,
like a ray of golden fan
and such as the glass beads that brightly smears into the deep soul
Makes a love song that is fresh and clear. (trans. by the author of this
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8. Stars

Song by SooIn Yi, Poem by ByungGhi Yi

별 byeol [biʌl]

이수인

바람이 서늘도하여 딸앞에 나아 섰더니

bah rah mee suh nul doh ha yeo ttur ah peh nah ah suht ttuh nee [ba ram j s $\wedge$  n $\partial$ l do ha j $\wedge$  t' $\partial$ r ap e na a s $\wedge$ t"t' $\wedge$ ni] Because of the cool breeze, I went to the garden.

서산 머리에 하늘은 구름을 벗어나고

suh sahn muh ree eh hah nuh run goo ru ul buh suh nah goh [s^ san m^ ri e ha n∂r ∂n gu r∂ m∂l b^ s^ na go]
Over the west mountain, the sky was getting clearer.

산뜻한 조사흘 달이 별함께 나아오더라

sahn ttu tahn cho sah hul ttah ree byeol hahm kkeh nah ah oh duh rah [san t' $\partial$ d" tan t $\int$ o sa h $\partial$ l t'ar i bj $\wedge$ l ham k'e na a o d $\wedge$  ra] A new moon came with the stars

달은 넘어가고 별만 서로 반짝인다

dah run nuh muh gah goh byeol mahn suh roh bahn tsa ghin dah [dar  $\partial n \, n \land m \land ga$  go bj $\land$ l man  $s \land ro$  ban tsag in da] then, the stars were still twinkling even after the moon disappeared

저 별은 뉘 별이며

juh byeo run new byeo ree meo
[3'\dagger b|\tau \partial n nwi b|\tau i m|\dagger]
Whose star is that?

내 별 또 어느게요

neh byeol ttoh uh nu geh yoh  $[n\epsilon \, bj \land l \, t'o \land n\partial \, ge \, jo]$  And which one is my star?

잠자코 홀로서서

jahm jah koh hol loh suh suh [3'am 3'a ko hol" lo s∧ s∧] Silently standing 별을 하게이보노라 byeo rul heh uh boh noh rah [bj∧r∂l he∧bo no ra] I counted the stars

바람이 서늘도하여 딸앞에 나아 셨더니 서산 머리에 하늘은 구름을 벗어나고 산뜻한 조사를 달이 벌함께 나아오더라 달은 남어가고 벌만 서로 반짝인다 저 발은 뉘 벌이며 내 별 또 어느게요 잠자코 홀로서서 벌을 헤어보노라

Because of the cool breeze, I went to the garden.

Over the west mountain, the sky was getting clearer.

A new moon came with the stars
then, the stars were still twinkling even after the moon disappeared
Whose star is that?

And which one is my star?

Silently standing
I counted the stars (trans. by the author of this document)





#### 9. An elegy

Song by YeonJoon Kim, Poem by DongChoon Shin

비기가 bee gah [bi ga] 김 연준

## 아 잔란한 저 태양이 숨져버려 어두운 뒤에

ah chal lahn hahn juh the yahng ee soom juh buh ryeo uh doo oon dwee eh [a tʃal" lan han 3' te jaŋ i sum 3' b rj h du un dwi e] Ah, after the bright sun died and became dark

#### 불타는 황금빛 노을

bool tah nun whahng gum ppin noh ul [bul ta n∂n hwaŋ g∂m p'in" no ∂l] After the flaming golden sunset

## 멀리 사라진 뒤에

muhl lee sah rah jeen swee eh [m∧l" li sa ra **3**'in dwi e] disappeard far away

## 내 젊은 내 노래는 찾을 길 없는데

neh juhl mun neh noh reh nun chah jul kkil uhm nun deh [nɛ 3'∧lm ∂n nɛ no rɛ n∂n t∫a 3'∂l k'il ∧m n∂ de] There is no way to find my youth and my song.

### 들에는 슬피우는 벌레소리 뿐이어라

dureh nun sulpee oo nun buhl leh soh ree ppoon ee uh rah  $[d\partial_T e \, n\partial_T \, s\partial l \, pi \, u \, n\partial_T \, b \wedge l'' \, le so ri p'un i \wedge ra]$ In the field, there are only weeping small creatures.

#### 별같이 빛나던 소망

byeol gah chee bin nah duhn soh mahng [bj $\land$  gat[i] bin" na d $\land$ n so ma $\eta$ ] My hope like a shining star

### 아침 이슬 되었도다

ahcheem eesul dweh uht ttoh dah [a t∫im i s∂l dwe ∧d" t'o da] became morning dew. 아 찬란한 저 태양이 숨져버려 어두운 뒤에 불타는 황금빛 노을 멀리 사라진 뒤에 내 젊은 내 노래는 찾을 길 없는데 들에는 슬피우는 벌레소리 뿐이어라 별같이 빛나던 소망 아짐 이슬 되었도다

Ah, after the bright sun died and it became dark,
After the flaming golden sunset disappeared far away.
There is no way to find my youth and my song.
There is only sound of small creatures'crying in the field My hope like a shining star became morning dew.
(trans. by the author of this document)





#### 10. Nostalgia

Song by YoungSub Choi, Poem by ByungWha Cho

추억

최 영선

Choo uhg
[tʃu ʌg]

잊어버리자고

ee juh buh ree jah goh [i3'^ b^ ri 3'a go] Trying to forget

바다 기슭을 걸어보던날이

bah dah ghee sul gul guh ruh boh duhn na ree [ba da gi s $\partial$ l g $\partial$ l g $\wedge$ r  $\wedge$  bo d $\wedge$ n nar i] the days I walked on the shore.

하루 이틀 사흘

ha roo ee tul sah hul [ha ru i t∂l sa h∂l] One, two, and three

여름가고 가을가고

yeo rum gah goh gah ul gah goh [j∧ r∧m ga go ga ∂l ga go] Summer is gone, and autumn is gone.

조개줍는 해너의 무리

jo geh joom nun heh nyeo eh moo ree [3′o gɛ 3′um n∂n hɛ nj∧ e mu ri] All the women divers

사라진겨울 이 바다에

sah rah jeen gyeo ool ee bah dah eh [sa ra 3'in gj∧ ul i ba da e] are gone from the ocean in winter.

잊어버리자고

ee juh buh ree jah goh [i3'^ b^ ri 3'a go] trying to forget 바다 기슭을 길어보던 날이 bah dah ghee sul gul guh ruh boh duhn na ree [ba da gi sôl gôl gʌr ʌ bo dʌn nar i] the days I walked on the shore

하루 이틀 사흘 ha roo ee tul sah hul [ha ru i tðl sa hðl] one, two, and three....

잊어버리자고
바다 기슭을 걸어보던날이
하루 이틀 사흥
여름가고 가을가고
조개줍는 해너의 무리
사라진겨울 이 바다에
잊어버리자고
바다 기슭을 걸어보던 날이
하루 이틀 사흘

Trying to forget
the days I walked on the shore.
One, two, and three
Summer is gone, and autumn is gone.
All the women divers are gone
from the ocean in winter.
trying to forget
the days I walked on the shore
one, two, and three....
(trans. by the author of this document)

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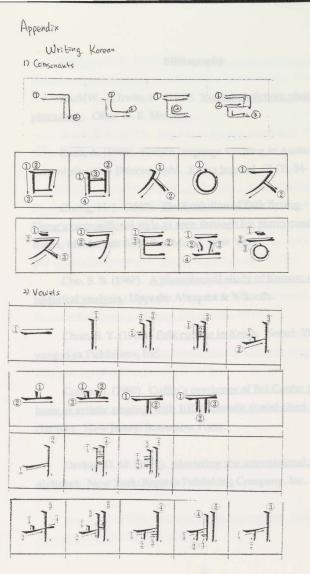
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