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(Forty-eight Preludes and Fugues.)

BOOK II.

THE twenty-four Preludes and Fugues comprising Book II are arranged in the same order of keysuccession as those in Book I.

Completed in 1744, the second book—like the first—contains several numbers that belong to a period earlier than the rest of the work. The only known autographs of Book II are:—

- the London autograph (No. 35021, British Museum) containing twenty-one Preludes and Fugues.
- (2) an additional autograph of the Prelude and Fugue in G major (No. 38068, British Museum).
- (3) an additional autograph of the Fugue in Ab major (No. P. 274, Prussian States Library—formerly the Royal Library—Berlin).

The London autograph formerly belonged to Clementi, the composer. At the sale of Clementi's effects it was bought by a Mr. Emett, whose daughter sold it to Miss Eliza Wesley, by whom it was bequeathed to the British Museum in 1896. It is in very good condition, and contains all the Preludes and Fugues except Nos. 4, 5, 12. Number 9 was originally missing from Miss Wesley's copy, but it was purchased by the British Museum authorities, in October 1896, of Mrs. Clarissa Sarah Clarke, and added to the collection.

In the footnotes to the present edition there will be found full details of the differences between the autograph and the MSS., and also those between the autograph and the Bach-Gesellschaft edition. The list of these differences given in the Appendix to vol. xlv. of the Bach-Gesellschaft edition is very incomplete, and not always accurate. This is regrettable in such an excellent work.

After comparing the autograph with the copies made by Bach's pupils, and others, one is forced to the conclusion that the composer must have written two complete copies of Book II. Indeed, it is quite probable that he wrote three. The editor has examined manuscript copies of three different versions of several numbers belonging to Book II.

The autograph contains some of the readings given in a number of the earlier MSS. In certain places, such as bars 15-19, Prelude I, and bars 10-11, Prelude 6, Bach has crossed these out and written another version at the foot of the page. In other places he has erased the earlier versions, which can be distinguished at the points where the surface of the paper has been destroyed, and substituted new ones (see footnotes to bars 18 and 22, Prelude 6). From the evidence supplied by the autograph itself it is apparent that the London autograph was not the first MS. of Book II.

In the Bach-Gesellschaft edition (xiv. Preface) Kroll mentions an autograph of Book II that contains the following numbers:—Preludes and Fugues 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 16, 19; Preludes 18, 21, 22, 23, and Fugue 17. After a careful examination of this MS. the editor feels that he cannot accept Kroll's view about its authenticity. At the first glance, one gets a clear impression that the handwriting is not that of Bach, and a closer inspection reveals details which confirm that impression. For instance, the naturals are unlike any of those in the autographs—vocal or instrumental—and the crotchet rests and the soprano clef differ from those generally made by Bach.

According to Spitta, the famous Bach historian, the Preludes and Fugues mentioned by Kroll are part of a MS. of Book II found by Fürstenau in the library of the King of Saxony, in 1876. The only missing numbers are the Prelude and Fugue in G major and the Fugue in B major. Spitta said that Kroll was mistaken in regarding the MS. as an autograph.

When Kroll and Bischoff prepared their editions of Book II the only verified autograph known to them was the Fugue in Ab before mentioned. For the remainder of the work they had to rely on manuscript copies which differed considerably between themselves. In a great number of cases Bischoff's fine intuition enabled him to select from the copies those versions that were identical with the autograph—the existence of which, however, was unknown to him.

For the purposes of the present edition the editor has examined all the autographs of the "48"—with the exception of the Zürich autograph, which is in private hands at the time of writing—and also all the available MSS.

This has made it possible to decide definitely the authorship of a number of important versions, some of which were wrongly attributed to Bach, whilst others—actually composed by him—were ascribed to his pupils.

It is generally believed that the MSS. of Altnikol – Bach's son-in-law—contain all the latest readings, but a close examination of the London autograph clearly proves that in many cases the autograph version is later than Altnikol's (see footnotes to Prelude 6).

The editor desires to acknowledge the great courtesy of Dr. Altmann, Director of the Manuscript Music Section of the Prussian States Library, in granting him facilities for inspecting the Bach autographs and MSS. in the States Library and the Amalien Library.

In conclusion, he has again to thank Miss Jenny Hyman for her very generous help in reading the proofs.





FAC-SIMILE OF BACH'S MS. OF THE PRELUDE IN D MINOR FROM BOOK II OF THE

48 PRELUDES AND FUGUES. (See footnotes to Prelude 6, Book II).

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BOOK II.

Thematic Index.

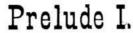




SECOND BOOK.

Edited by Orlando Morgan.

(1744)





In the London autograph there are no demisemiquavers in this Prelude. We give the opening (a)



Our text is based on the MS. of Altnikol, Bach's son-in-law and amanuensis. This MS. is of a later date than the London autograph.

There is an earlier version of this Prelude consisting of seventeen bars only.

(b) The autograph gives:-

(d) In the autograph: In the autograph:-(c) Copyright MCMXXV by. Edwin Ashdown Ltd. (E. A.35383)



Bars 15 to 19 originally appeared in the autograph as follows:-(b)



Bach has crossed these bars out and written the version we have given in the printed text on two staves at the bottom of the page.



The low C (pedal-note) in the last two bars may be played again. This was customary in Bach's time. (E.A.35383)

Fugue I. (three voices.)



- The Bach-Gesellschaft edition omits this shake and also the one in bar 21 (Treble), but they are both given in the autograph. (Bach used the following signs for a shake:- w; w; t; two. On examining the proof-sheets of the Clavier-uebung, Part II, containing corrections in Bach's handwriting, I found the shake indicated in three ways, thus:- w; w; tr.)
- N.B. The mordents in brackets are not given in the autograph, but they are often played.





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Prelude II.

Edited by Orlando Morgan.



The autograph gives four flats for the key-signature of the upper staff and five flats for the lower. On the upper staff there is a flat for E on the second line (Soprano clef) and another flat an octave higher. On the lower staff B flat and A flat are repeated at the octave.

It was customary in Bach's time to repeat flats and sharps in the key-signature for notes on the staff lying an octave apart.



(a) The tie to C is omitted in several MSS, including Altnikol's, but it is clearly given in the autograph.

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Fugue II (four voices.)



The Exposition-in three parts only-ends on the first note in bar 5 (tenor), and is followed by two bars of episode. The Counter-exposition, commencing at bar 7, is also in three parts. At bar 11 there is a redundant entry (tenor) in F minor. The entry of the fourth part (bass) is deferred until the 19th bar.

Dr. Stade, in his analysis of the fugue, brings in the Bass at bar 7. We do not agree with this view. The two bars of episode, bars 5 and 6, clearly lead up to the Counter-exposition in bar 7.

In our opinion, Bach deliberately reserved the Bass entry for bar 19, where it appears, in augmentation, with fine effect.

- Kroll omits the mordent in Peters edition, but inserts it in the Bach-Gesellschaft edition. (a) It is omitted by Czerny.
- (b) This mordent, given in the autograph, does not appear in the text of the Bach-Gesellschaft edition. In the notes at the end of the volume it is referred to as occurring in "several MSS", but the autograph itself was not available when Kroll edited the '48'.



- (a) This is the first stretto. The Subject in the treble is imitated, at a quaver's distance, by the alto, in augmentation, and in the next bar by the tenor, in inverse movement. The stretto is continued in bar 16-the parts entering at two beats' distance.
- (b) D'Albert gives the following:

With the exception of one note-Ab in place of Ab in the Bass-Czerny agrees with D'Albert. In Peters edition Kroll gives Czerny's version as an optional reading.

We give the bar exactly as it appears in the autograph.

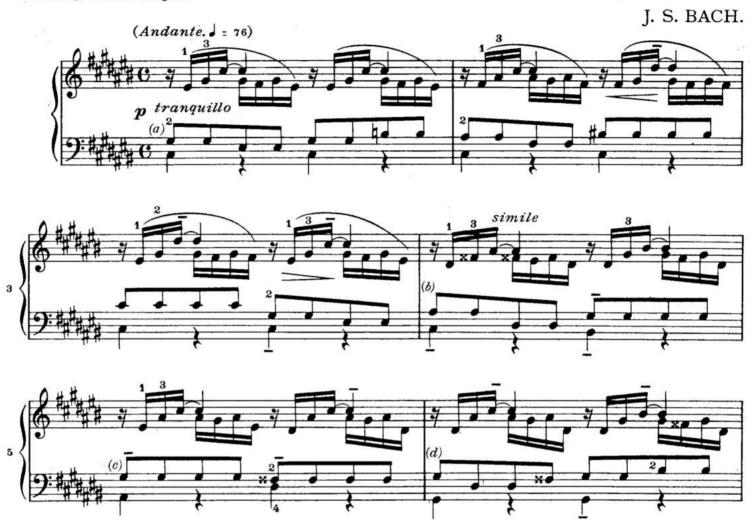
(c) The Bass gives the Subject by augmentation, following immediately with the Answer in inverse movement.



- (a) Stretto at a crotchet's distance.
- (b) In Peters edition Kroll gives the text thus:- and, as an optional reading:- But he reverses this order in the Bach-Gesellschaft edition.
- (c) In the D'Albert and Bach-Gesellschaft editions the final chord is major, but the autograph gives a minor chord-as an arpeggio. Most of the MSS. give the minor ending. Altnikol's MS., however, ends with a major chord.

Prelude III.

Edited by Orlando Morgan.



An earlier version of this Prelude, in C major, is given by one of Bach's sons-"Bückeburger Bach". Up to the Allegro it is written in chords, marked *Arpeggio*, as in the Fantasia to the great Fugue in A minor and the Chromatic Fantasia.

The London autograph gives ten sharps for the key-signature on the upper staff-the sharps to C,D and E being repeated at the distance of an octave (Soprano clef)-and eleven sharps on the lower staff (bass), the sharps to F, G, D and B being similarly repeated.

On examining the autograph the editor discovered that the so-called variants, hitherto attributed to Kirnberger and others, were written by Bach himself. They are the actual text of the autograph.

This definitely settles the authorship of the variants.

Our text follows that of the autograph. Other readings will be found in the following footnotes.

(a) Bischoff and Czerny give:

The optional readings given by Bischoff in this Prelude form the text in Bach's autograph. It must be remembered, however, that neither Bischoff, Kroll nor Czerny ever saw the autograph of the second book of the "48".



(d) Bischoff and Czerny:

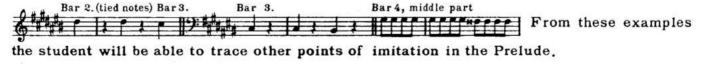
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(d) E# (bass) is given in the autograph and by Kroll (Peters), Bischoff and Mugellini. It is given as an alternative reading in the Bach-Gesellschaft edition. The latter edition gives D# in the text. This note is given by Hoffmeister also.

As will be seen by the following examples, there is something to be said in favor of D#:-



(e) Bischoff and Czerny:- (E. A. 35385)



(e) The staccato signs are given in the autograph.



- (a) Here again the appoggiatura is indicated by a short hook.
- (b) In place of the mordent a trill is given by Kroll, Bischoff, D'Albert, Czerny and Mugellini.

 The autograph gives a mordent, which should be played thus:-
- (c) Bischoff gives the autograph version as an alternative reading, and the following as his text:-

Fugue III.



According to Prout and van Bruyck the subject consists of the first four notes only. Riemann and Stade, however, extend it to six notes—a view that is shared by the editor. It is worthy of note that the Exposition and Counter-Exposition are written in stretto—bass, treble and alto (the latter by inverse movement) in the Exposition, and treble, alto and bass in the Counter-Exposition.

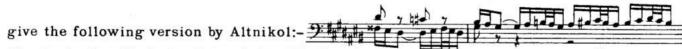
The following examples of inverse movement, diminution and augmentation, are given for the student's guidance:-



(a) A close examination of the autograph shews that the demisemiquavers in this second counter-subject-both in its direct and inverted forms, as in bar 10- were an afterthought. The idea seems to have suggested itself to Bach when, in copying, he had reached the end of the 29th bar, for he appears to have gone back to bar 8 and, from there onwards to bar 29, squeezed the demisemiquavers in with some difficulty, as there was hardly any room left for the insertion of an additional note. From bar 30 to the end of the Fugue the notes have the normal spacing. Bach evidently overlooked bars 26-27, in which the second counter-subject occurs again (inverted), as the demisemiquavers are not given in the autograph.



- Stretto by inverse movement-bass, alto, treble. (a)
- Stretto-bass, treble, alto.
- (c) Stretto- bass, alto, treble, at a minim's distance.
- From this point to the end of the next bar Kroll (Peters edition), Bischoff and Mugellini (d)



The Bach-Gesellschaft edition (edited by Kroll) and Czerny follow Kirnberger's MS., which agrees with the autograph. Bischoff gives Kirnberger's reading as an alternative; the Bach-Gesellschaft gives Altnikol's reading as an alternative.

A reference to bar 2 (bass) will show that the passage at (d) in our text is exactly the same. It is the first Counter-subject.



(b) Here again Altnikol's reading has been followed by Kroll (Peters), Bischoff and Mugellini:

The editor prefers Altnikol's version in this bar and the

next following bar for the reason given in the concluding sentence of footnote (a) page 7.



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as printed above.

Prelude IV.



The autograph of this Prelude and Fugue is missing.

The notes marked with an asterisk are written as quaver appoggiaturas in the MSS. Instead of writing a separate interpretation of each of these the editor has incorporated them in the text, for the sake of clarity.

Kroll, Czerny and D'Albert omit the quaver at (a)

(b) All the mordents should be diatonic.

(c) Czerny:- This version is given as an optional reading by Kroll and Bischoff.

(e) Several MSS. give an inverted mordent to G#.



- (c) Czerny, following Kirnberger's text, gives G# in place of B.
- (d) Instead of the inverted mordent Czerny, incorrectly, gives a mordent.



- (a) The shake begins on the upper auxiliary note.
- (b) This is a doubtful note. A# is often played in place of A.



- Sometimes played: (a)
- According to several MSS.:- Czerny gives this, but omits the mordent. (b)
- Czerny, Mugellini and Wouters give Altnikol's variant:-(c)
- Sometimes played: (d)



- (a) Several editions have a mordent over E.
- Wouters includes a mordent in this ornament thus:

 There is no mordent in the MSS.

 In this bar Czerny omits the notes marked with an asterisk.
- (c) Wouters adds a mordent over C. Czerny gives:
- (d) Czerny has a mordent here.
 - (e) Several editions, including the B.-G., give: played: played: played: Some of the ornaments in the manuscript copies have been added by strange hands, and in a number of cases it is impossible to say which is the authentic reading.



- (a) Kroll (Peters edition), Czerny and Wouters: played: played: played: The appoggiatura is given by Altnikol, but is omitted from the B.-G. edition and the editions of D'Albert and Mugellini.
- (b) Some editions give a mordent over E. The B.-G. edition, Czerny and D'Albert omit it.
- Wouters and Mugellini: The nearest version to this is Altnikol's: The latter is given as the text by Kroll in Peters edition, but in the B.-G. edition he gives it as an alternative reading.
- (d) The mordent is doubtful.
- (e) Czerny:-

Fugue IV.

(three voices.)



The subject ends on the 7th semiquaver in the second bar.

(a) Episode (alto), founded on the Subject, extending to the end of bar 15. The treble is derived from the Counter-subject. Bach uses the latter in the following forms in the course of the fugue:-



Great use is made of ex. 4 in the middle and final sections.



- Episode ending with bar 23. (a)
- Subject by inverse movement, repeated in the alto, bar 26, and in the bass, bar 28. (b)
- Also played: This appears in several MSS. (c)



- (a) Episode from this point to bar 47.
- b) Czerny gives Fx.
- (c) Some of the MSS, give A#, others give A#. Bischoff and Czerny have A# in the text; Kroll (Peters and Bach-Gesellschaft), Wouters, D'Albert and Mugellini give A#.



- (a) Treble and Bass written in double counterpoint in the twelfth; the inversion occurs in bars 55,56 (treble and bass).
- (b) The appoggiatura is omitted by Czerny, Mugellini and Wouters.
- (c) Episode extending to the end of bar 52.
- (d) Subject by inverse motion in the Alto.
- (e) (f) Also played:

(g) Episode to the end of bar 60.





- (a) Episode to the end of bar 65.
- (b) The two themes that were combined in double counterpoint in the twelfth (bars 48,49, and 55,56) now appear in double counterpoint in the octave (treble and alto).

An unusual feature of this fugue is that the greater part of it consists of episodes.

Prelude V.

Edited by Orlando Morgan.

J. S. Bach.



The autograph of this Prelude and Fugue is missing.

(a) Czerny gives the entire Prelude in $\frac{12}{8}$: the bar under notice, and all similar bars, being distorted thus:-



In Bach's time the following combination: was equivalent to Throughout the Prelude play p for

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(a) Usually played: The reading given in our text is by Altnikol.

In my examination of the autographs I have often noticed small alterations and additions which the composer has made for the sake of unity, and from a close observation of Bach's methods I am strongly of the opinion that the version given by Altnikol is of a later date than the one usually played.

An examination of the following bars, clearly related to bar 12, will show that the three semiquavers by Altnikol form part of the figure each time it approaches a cadence:-



(b) The three shakes in this Prelude all begin on the printed note.





(a) This tie is sometimes omitted.



Fugue V.

(four voices.)



All of the Episodes in this remarkably fine fugue are derived from the last four notes of the Subject.

(a) Two-part stretto (Alto and treble): the imitation at the interval of a fourth.



- (a) Three-part stretto (Tenor, treble, alto): the imitation at the interval of a fifth.
- (b) Three-part stretto (Bass, treble, alto) at one beat's distance: the imitation at the interval of an octave.
- (c) Three-part stretto (Tenor, alto, treble) at the distance of one beat: the imitation at the interval of a sixth.



(a) Stretto maestrale (a stretto for all the voices) at the distance of one beat: the imitation at the interval of a third, or tenth, below.

Here is the stretto in open score:-



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Prelude VI.

J. S. Bach. Edited by Orlando Morgan.



- (a) This ornament is the only one given in the Bach-Gesellschaft and D'Albert editions. The autograph contains eleven inverted mordents. (Czerny gives eleven mordents.) In each of these, except the one in bar 43, the lower note should be a semitone below the printed note.
- Bars 10 and 11 originally appeared in the autograph as follows: -



Bach crossed out these two bars and wrote at the foot of the page the eight bars given in our text. In the original form bar 11 was followed by bar 18, an omission of six bars.



(a) In Altnikol's MS. the first group of semiquavers in each bar, from bar 18 to bar 25 inclusive, is the same as the 2nd and 3rd. groups, thus:-

A close examination of the autograph shews that Bach has erased the 4th note of the first group in each of these bars (bars 22 and 24 excepted) - the points of erasure, where the surface of the paper is destroyed, agreeing with the notes in Altnikol's MS.

Kroll (Peters edition) follows Altnikol's MS. in his text and gives the autograph version as an alternative. Czerny also gives Altnikol's reading.

(b) The original group of semiquavers in the autograph has been erased and the demisemiquavers sub--stituted. In bar 24 the demisemiquavers have been squeezed in between the semiquavers.



(a) This bar and the following bar are not in the autograph text, bar 36 being followed by bar 39, as in an earlier version of the Prelude.

Bach has written bars 37 and 38 at the foot of the page, with an indication for their insertion between bars 36 and 39.

In bar 39 the first note in the left hand was originally an octave higher.

(b) In place of F the following editions give the upper Bb:- Bach-Gesellschaft, Czerny, Wouters, D'Albert, Mugellini.

The autograph clearly gives F.

(c) Here again the first bass note was an octave higher, but the upper note has been erased and the lower note substituted. The higher note is given in the following editions: - Bach-Gesellschaft, Peters (Kroll), D'Albert, Czerny, Mugellini, Wouters.



(a) The short slurs in this and the two following bars are given in the autograph. They are omitted by Czerny and Mugellini.

The bass of these three bars originally appeared in the autograph as follows: -



This version is given in several MSS. In the autograph the composer has erased the 4th note in each bar and substituted the version we have printed in our text.

Fugue VI.

(three voices.)



The subject, extending to the first note in bar 3, is not heard again in its complete form after the Exposition.

(a) Bischoff and Mugellini give the following variant:-Our text is taken from the autograph.



(b) First episode, derived from Alto in the preceding bar.



- (a) Second episode.
- (b) In the autograph these seven semiquavers were originally an octave lower, but they have been erased and the higher version substituted. Traces of the erased notes can be seen where the surface of the paper has been destroyed, as in the Prelude.

The Bach-Gesellschaft edition gives the earlier (lower) version in the text and the autograph version as an alternative reading. D'Albert also gives the earlier version.

- (c) Stretto (Alto and Treble) at the distance of a crotchet.
- (d) A mordent is often played instead of the shake.
- (e) Stretto (Alto and Bass) by inverse movement.

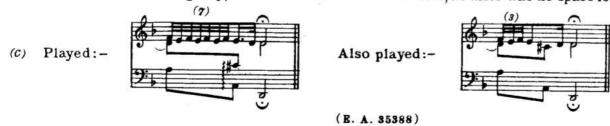


(a) Third episode, in Canon. Although the complete form of this happy little theme is given in the Alto only, it could have been carried through the other parts in its entirety had the composer desired to do so, but he evidently thought it would be more effective to curtail the imitation in the Bass and Treble.

From the following lay-out of the parts it will be seen that the theme is so admirably designed that the imitation runs just as easily in four parts as in three:



(b) C# is generally played here, but there is no indication of a sharp in the autograph. The sharp is given to C in the next group, and it is written under the note, as there was no space for it on the staff.



Prelude VII.

Edited by Orlando Morgan

J. S. Bach.



following solutions are given by various authorities:-Bach usually wrote a small hook, not a note, for a short Appoggiatura, and a note for a long Appoggia-

tura. In C. Ph. E. Bach's "Versuch über die wahre Art das Clavier zu spielen" (1758) it is stated that the Appoggiatura (Vorschlag) is sometimes prolonged beyond its usual value. Of the examples quoted above the one mostly used is number 1, but many Bach students prefer number 4. The least satisfactory is number 2, because it produces consecutive 4ths with the bass.

- (b) Czerny gives D, agreeing with several MSS. The autograph gives Bb.
- (c) See (a) above.
- (d) Czerny, Wouters, Mugellini and several MSS. give Eb in place of D in the middle part. The autograph gives D. (E. A. 35389) Copyright MCMXXV by Edwin Ashdown Ltd.



- (a) Czerny, Wouters and Mugellini give Ah, but Bach has written a flat before A in the autograph. This settles a disputed point.
- (b) Kroll (Peters edition) gives this optional reading:- We give the notes as they appear in the autograph.



We give the autograph text. Bischoff gives this as an alternative (c) Generally played:reading. (cf. bar 23, 3rd beat.)

Many editions give an inverted mordent over Bb but there is no mordent in the autograph.

(e) Several MSS. omit the tie to Ab. The tie is in the autograph.



- (a) The autograph gives D\$, but Db is given by Altnikol, Bischoff, Czerny, Kroll (Bach-Gesellschaft and Peters), Wouters and D'Albert.
- (b) The middle G is omitted by D'Albert and by the Bach-Gesellschaft edition. It is given in the autograph.
- (c) The Eb in the left hand is given in the autograph, but is omitted by Altnikol, Kroll (Bach-Gesellschaft and Peters), D'Albert, Mugellini and Wouters.
- (d) Several editions and MSS, give an inverted mordent over this note. There is no mordent in the autograph.
- (e) Czerny gives :- 2:

Fugue VII.

(four voices.)



Dr. Riemann (Analysis of J.S. Bach's "Wohltemperirtes Clavier") says that the theme of this Fugue, suggests a "song of thanksgiving and praise. It is given out with full power by the bass."

On the other hand, Sir Hubert Parry ("Johann Sebastian Bach") refers to it as "quietly-moving, soberly beautiful".



- (a) Counter-exposition, the Answer in the tenor being followed by the Subject in the bass, in stretto. The minim at (a) is sometimes tied to the preceding Bb. There is no tie in the autograph.
- (b) Stretto (alto and treble) at one bar's distance.



- (a) The autograph gives Db. Several important MSS. also give Db. The following editions give Db: Bischoff, D'Albert, Bach-Gesellschaft, Peters (Kroll), Wouters, Mugellini.
- (b) Final Section. Stretto (treble and bass) at one bar's distance.
- (c) Wouters and Czerny give Ab. The autograph gives Bb.

Prelude VIII.



*In the editor's opinion the pace of this Prelude is determined by the demisemiquavers, and he has indicated a slower speed than is usually given. Compare the following: Czerny and Wouters, J=92; Mugellini, J=88; Bischoff, J=80.

- (a) In each instance Czerny gives mordents instead of inverted mordents.
- (b) The following editions give E^{\sharp} in place of E^{\sharp} :— Bach-Gesellschaft, Peters (Kroll), D'Albert. The autograph gives E^{\sharp} .



- (a) The autograph gives F#, but G# is given by Kroll (B-G, and Peters), D'Albert, Mugellini, Wouters and Czerny. G# agrees with the preceding group and is always played.
- (b) This is the autograph text. In several MSS, these four notes are given as semiquavers.
- (c) Several MSS. give F# in place of the Fx of the autograph.
- (d) The editions named at (a) give Gx in place of B#. The Gx is contained in some MSS., but in the autograph B# is clearly written. This important point, along with others equally important, is not mentioned in the notes on the London autograph given in the Bach-Gesellschaft edition.
- (e) The shake begins on the principal note (Gx).
- (f) The quaver G_x is written as an appoggiatura in the autograph.



- (a) This F# is in the autograph. Altnikol gives D#.
- (b) These ornaments are in the autograph, but they are not given by the Bach-Gesellschaft.
- (c) Some of the MSS, give C#. The autograph gives $C\times$.
- (d) Kroll (B-G. and Peters) and D'Albert give: We give the autograph version, which is the one generally played.



(a) The quaver Cx is written as an appoggiatura in the autograph. Kroll (Peters) gives this Prelude and Fugue in Eb minor.

Fugue VIII.

(four voices.)



- * The usual metronome marking is = 60.
- (a) The two Episodes, bars 11 (bass) and 36 (tenor) are derived from this codetta, which ends on the first quaver in bar 7.
- (b) We give the autograph version. The following reading is given by Kroll (Bach-Gesellschaft and Peters), Mugellini, Wouters, Czerny and D'Albert:—



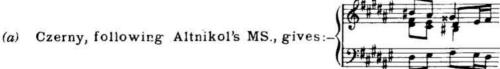
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(c) E is sometimes given in place of E #. The autograph gives E #.

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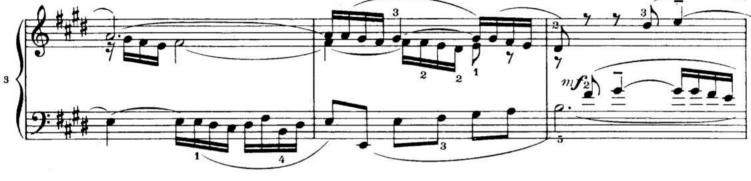
- (b) Fx is given by Nägeli and Czerny. The autograph gives F#.
- (c) We give the autograph text. Czerny gives:-
- (d) Answer by inverse movement.
- (e) Czerny gives B#. The autograph gives a \$ to B.

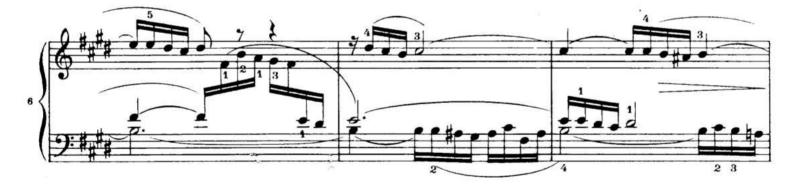
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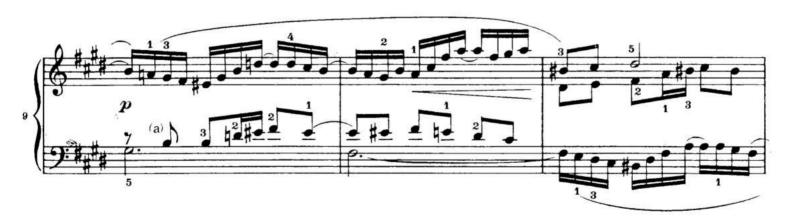
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The autograph of this Prelude and Fugue was purchased by the British Museum,in October 1896, of Mrs Clarissa Sarah Clarke.

(a) This B is given in the autograph, but A is invariably played.



(a) All editions except Czerny's give a mordent over A#. There is no mordent in the autograph.





- (a) Begin the shake on the printed note.
- (b) Mugellini and Wouters tie F#. There is no tie in the autograph.
- (c) The Bach-Gesellschaft edition omits the tie to A. The autograph gives the tie. The B.-G. has overlooked this in its notes on the autograph.
- (d) An inverted mordent is given to E in all editions except Czerny's. It is not given in the autograph, but the B.-G. has failed to note this.



- (a) A mordent is given to D# in all editions except Czerny's, but it is not in the autograph. This, also, has been overlooked by the B-G.
- The B-G. notes on the autograph, 45th year (1897), contain no reference to this important difference.

 The autograph version agrees with the MSS. mentioned in the 14th year, vol.3, of the B-G. edition (1866), and enhances their authority.
- In the autograph version. The following variants are often used:

 One substituted. The B-G notes state that the original notes in the autograph were BGE.

I have examined the autograph closely and often, and I am convinced that the original notes were BAG. These notes can be clearly traced at the points where the erasures have been made. Several MSS, contain the erased version.

The inverted mordent is omitted by the B-G., Mugellini and D'Albert.

There is no mention of the inverted mordent in the B-G. notes on the autograph.

Fugue IX.

(four voices.)



The Subject ends on the sixth note.

The Counter-subject:— 2 is absent from the middle section of the fugue, but it re-appears in the final section.

- (a) Counter-Exposition, in Stretto—the alto being imitated at the half bar by the tenor; the latter is followed by the bass at one bar's distance, and the treble imitates the bass half a bar later.
- (b) The tie to B is in the autograph. It is omitted by Bischoff, Wouters and Mugellini.
- and D'Albert: In the B-G. notes on the London autograph there is no mention of this difference.
- (d) Episode (derived from Counter-subject) in Canon.





- (a) This shake is given in the autograph and several MSS. It is omitted by Kroll B-G. and Peters), Mugellini, Wouters, Czerny and D'Albert.
- (b) Stretto __alto, treble; bass, tenor at one bar's distance in each pair of voices.
- (c) Bischoff gives E#, with E# as optional. The autograph gives E#.
- (d) Stretto, in which the Subject is varied—treble and alto, bars 23-24; bass and tenor, bars 25-26, the imitation being at a minim's distance in each pair of voices.
- (e) Stretto, by diminution treble, alto, tenor, bass.



(a) We give these interesting bars in open score. (The first note of the Subject in the tenor and treble is free).



(b) Stretto—alto, treble (inverted and diminished), tenor, bass.

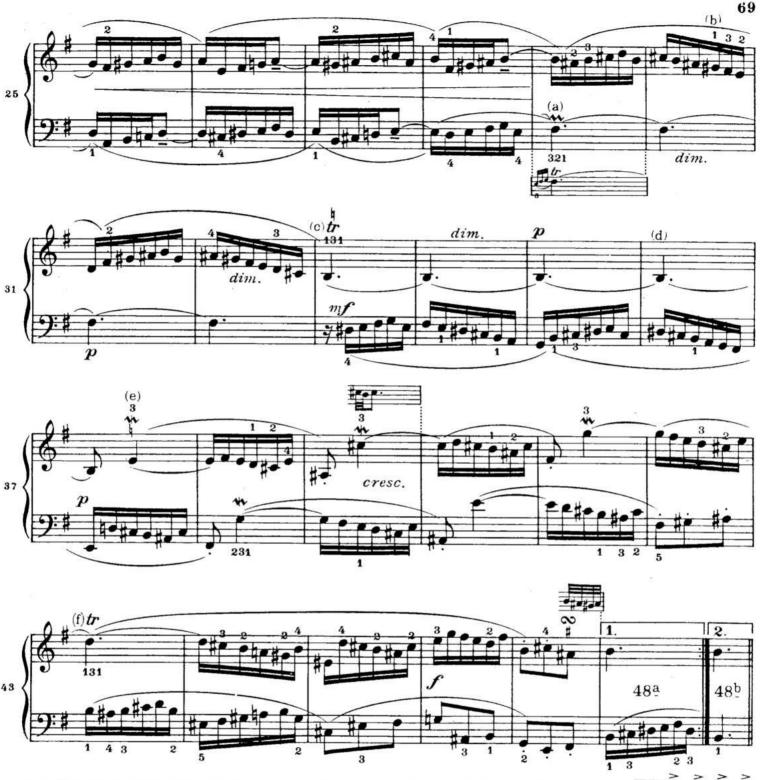
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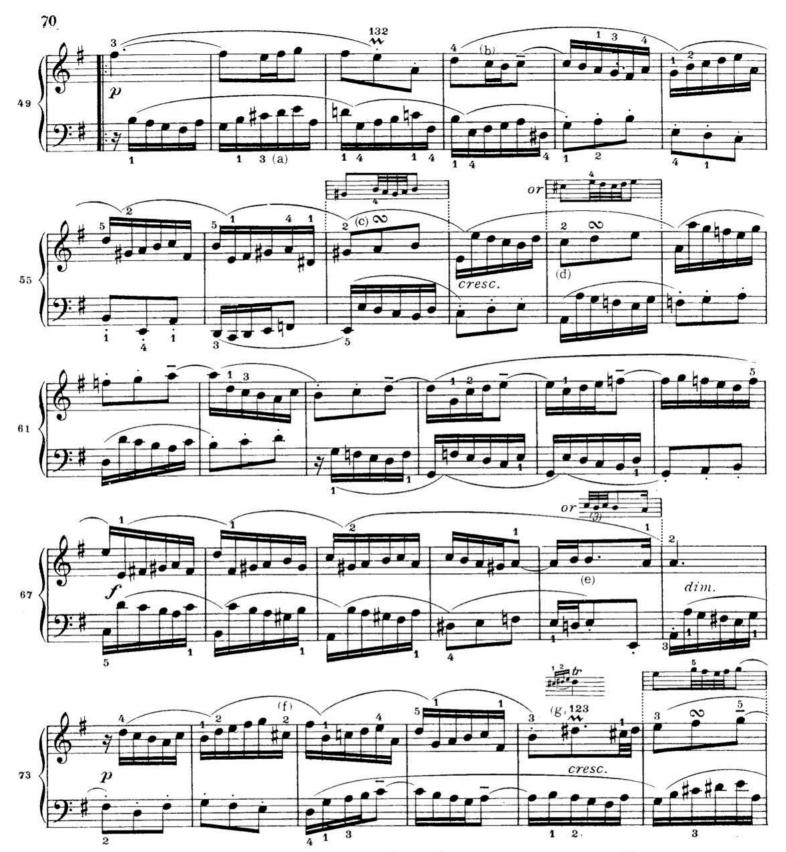


The demisemiquavers given above the text in bars 3,4,12,22, are not in the autograph, but they are generally played. Bach probably added them in a later copy (see footnotes to Prelude 1 and Fugue 3 in this vol.)

(a) The Bach-Gesellschaft, Bischoff and others give staccato dashes (1) over these notes, but they are not in the autograph. The fact of their being in a MS. is no proof that they are by Bach. Additions by other hands have been made even to the autographs. On the third beat of bars 18 and 20 Kroll (Peters) gives a shake in place of the mordent.



- (a) We give the ornament as it appears in the autograph. From this point Czerny gives:
 and also in bars 33-36 (treble). We have failed to find any authority for this alteration.
- (b) The manuscripts of Altnikol give G\$\(\beta\). In the autograph there is a sharp to G. This settles a disputed point, but it has been overlooked in the B-G. notes on the autograph.
- (c) Kroll (Peters), D'Albert, Mugellini and Wouters give the shake on a tone, though in bar 29 (bass) the first three give a semitone. (Wouters gives a semitone below the printed note!) Our reason for giving a semitone is because it is the minor 6th of the scale in which the passage is written, thus emphasizing the minor mode.
- (d) The shake should end at the third quaver, in order to preserve the tie.
- (e) The inverted mordents in bars 37,38,39,41, are in the autograph. The B-G. notes on the autograph state that there is also a mordent over E (bass) in bar 40. This is incorrect.
- (f) The shake is given in the autograph.



- (a) D# is given in Altnikol's MS. and by Kroll (Peters). The autograph gives D\$.
- (b) Several MSS, give a mordent over C. It is not in the autograph.
- (c) This turn and the one in bar 59 are in the autograph. They are omitted by the B-G., Bischoff, Mugellini, D'Albert and Wouters.
- (d) The autograph gives C
 arrayce. This note is given also in the editions named at (c). Alt nikol gives C
 arrayce a decided improvement in conjunction with the turn.
- (e) A mordent is generally played here. It is not in the autograph, but the cadence seems to ask for a mordent.
- (f) Czerny and Wouters, following Forkel's version, give C\$.
- (g) This is the ornament given in the autograph.



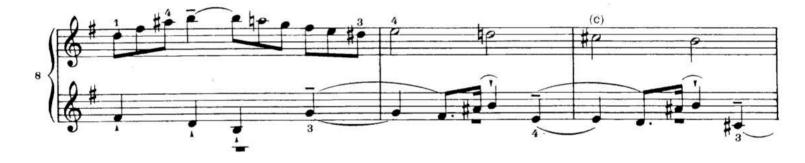
- (a) The D# is given in the autograph. Several MSS. give D#.
- (b) Here again Czerny gives his extraordinary version in place of the shake.
- (c) End the shake at the third quaver.
- (d) The autograph gives an inverted mordent here and in bars 95,96,102,107. These ornaments are wanting in the B-G.text.

Fugue X.

(three voices.)









The Subject ends on the 7th quaver in bar 6(E). The Countersubject-bars 7-12-plays an important part in the Fugue and is worthy of careful study. The staccato signs in the Subject are contained in the autograph. They should be interpreted thus:

Bach probably made another copy of this Fugue, or at least a part of it, as the London autograph, which is the only existing autograph of Book 2, consists of 71 bars only, and ends without a return to the Subject in the tonic. The version we give is the one always played. It is given in several reliable MSS., and bears the unmistakable stamp of Bach.

- (a) Several MSS. give an inverted mordent over G. It is not in the autograph.
- (b) This notation:— I is equivalent to 1(3) throughout.
- (c) On the authority of various MSS. Bischoff gives a mordent over C#, but it is not in the autograph.

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- (a) First Episode. All the Episodes are derived from the latter part of the Subject.
- (b) Some MSS. give an inverted mordent over E. It is not in the autograph.
- (c) Kirnberger's MS. gives C\$, but C\$ is given in the autograph and is always played. The last note in the middle voice is G in the autograph. Schwenke's MS. gives E.



- (a) B is given in the autograph and by D'Albert, Wouters and Czerny. It is given as an optional reading by Kroll (B-G. and Peters) and Bischoff, both of whom give A in the text. Mugellini gives A without comment. The autograph version is not referred to in the B-G. notes.
- (b) This is as it appears in the autograph. The following variants are sometimes played:
- (c) Second Episode.
- (d) The tie to C# is in the autograph, but is not mentioned in the B-G. notes. None of the printed editions gives it.
- (e) The autograph ties C#. This, also, has been overlooked in the B-G. notes. Several MSS. contain the tie.
- (f) The inverted mordent is in the autograph, but it is never played.



- (a) This is the autograph version. The optional reading is by Altnikol, and is the one usually played.
- (b) Third Episode.



- (a) G\$\psi\$ is given in the autograph, but G\$\psi\$ is always played.
- (b) Fourth Episode. Altnikol gives D\(\psi\) on the fourth beat. The autograph gives D\(\psi\).
- (c) We give the autograph version. Kirnberger gives:-
- (d) The tie is in the autograph. Several MSS.omit it.
- (e) From this point the autograph concludes thus:-

The dots after E and the lower G(first beat) in the autograph version take the value of a semiquaver only. It should be remembered that the dot had a variable value at this period(see Fugue 5, Book 1, and Prelude 18, Book 2).

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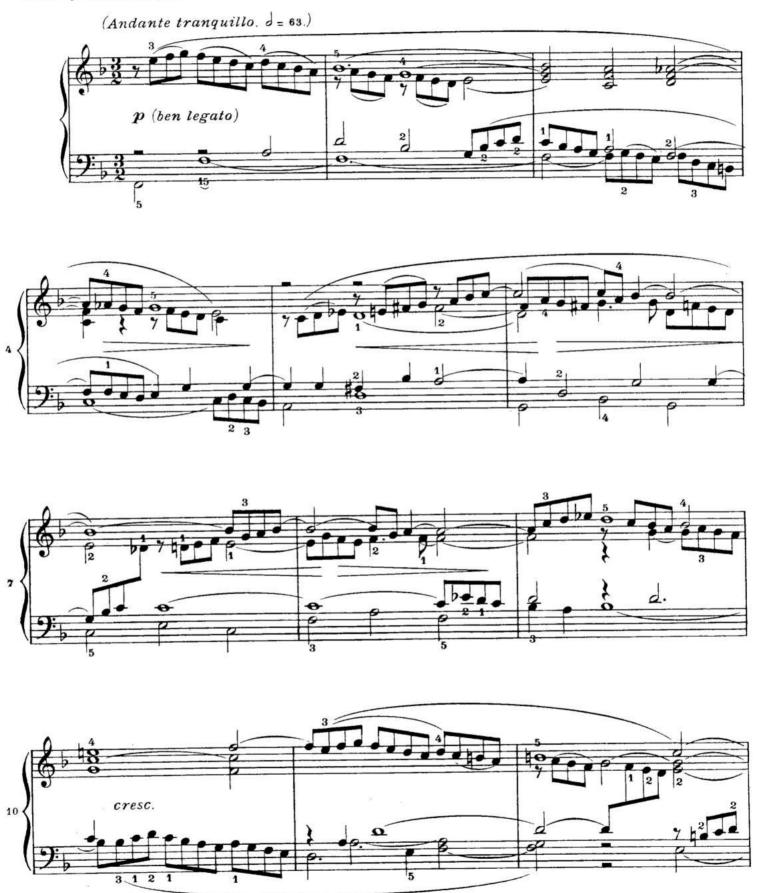


- (a) The Adagio applies to E only. (see bar 70).
- (b) Either of these chords may be played. The editor has given preference to Altnikol's reading, but the optional version— given in a number of MSS.— is often played.

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The short slurs in bars 1,2,3,5,11,12,15 are in the autograph.

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- (b) Mugellini and Wouters, following Schwenke's reading, give: (see bar 5) The version we give is that of the autograph.
- (c) G is sometimes tied, but the tie is not in the autograph.
- (d) In the Bach-Gesellschaft and Peters editions Kroll suggests Eb in place of Eb.

 The autograph, which was unknown to Kroll, gives Eb. This decides what has, up to the present, been a doubtful note, but the B-G notes contain no reference to the autograph version.



(a) Several important MSS, omit A.



Czerny gives E in place of D. Kirnberger gives E in place of the minim F. (b) (E.A. 35393)



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In the opinion of some theorists the Subject, unquestionably, ends on the first semiquaver in bar 5. Others are equally certain that it ends on the third semiquaver.

- (a) The staccato sign (3) usually given over these notes is not in the autograph.
- (b) Wouters and Czerny give Bh. The autograph gives Bb.
- (c) Codetta.
- (d) In place of C several MSS, give A the copyists having evidently overlooked the change from the soprano to the treble clef in the autograph.
- (e) Czerny ties F. The tie is not in the autograph.
- (f) Codetta.
- (g) Czerny ties C in order to make it agree with bar 17.
- (h) First Episode.



- (b) The b to E is in the autograph. Et is given in several MSS., including Altnikol's. Czerny's edition gives Et.
- (c) G is tied by Mugellini and Czerny. The tie is not in the autograph.



- (a) Second Episode.
- (b) Third Episode.
- (c) Some of the MSS. give Eb. The autograph gives Eb, and this note is always played.



- (a) Final section.
- (b) In place of C Czerny gives A, a minor third below. In the autograph the space between the staves is so small that the middle C(bass) has been mistaken for A in the soprano clef (generally used by Bach) by various copyists. Although Bischoff never saw the autograph he diagnosed the error accurately.
- (c) This chord stands in the autograph, and is much stronger than the bare Db octave (given by Altnikol. In the editor's opinion Altnikol's version is earlier than the autograph. The autograph version is not mentioned in the B-G. notes (vol. XLV).
- (d) Several MSS. tie this Eb and the last note in the middle part in bars 90,91. Czerny has followed this reading. The ties are not in the autograph.

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Prelude XII



Up to the present time no autograph of this Prelude and Fugue has been discovered. Kroll men--tions one in the Bach-Gesellschaft edition (Vol. XIV. p. X.), but Spitta says that Kroll was mistaken in regarding it as an autograph. After a careful examination of this MS. I agree with Spitta.

- (a) Mordents are given over these notes by Czerny (Altnikol's version), but they are rarely played.
- In Kirnberger's MS, these notes appear as crotchets. It is an interesting variant, though it des--troys the imitation of the opening figure.
- Altnikol ties Db. Czerny, following Forkel, ties Db and G. It is customary to repeat the notes. Copyright MCMXXV by Edwin Ashdown Ltd. (E.A.35394)



- Several MSS. give Gb. This note is given by Czerny also. (a)
- Czerny gives a semiquaver rest in place of this A. (b)
- In place of the syncopation Kirnberger gives:-(c) cadence in bar 27.
- In place of these mordents Czerny gives turns! (d) (E.A.35394)



This agrees with the



- (a) The following version is given in several MSS.:— This maintains the sequence throughout. We give Altnikol's reading because it is the one generally played.
- (b) Kirnberger gives:
- (c) In this bar and the two following bars Kirnberger gives four equal quavers. The notes agree with our text.
- (d) Czerny gives Bb.

Fugue XII.

(three voices.)



- (a) The inverted mordents in bars 1 and 25 occur in only a few of the MSS.
- (b) Codetta.
- (c) First Episode.



- (a) Second Episode.
- (b) Kroll (Peters), Mugellini and Czerny give a quaver in place of the crotchet (Kirnberger's version).
- (c) Final section.



- (c) Fourth Episode.
- (d) Czerny gives C (Forkel's reading).
- (e) Kirnberger gives Eb in place of Gb. Czerny also gives Eb.
- (f) In place of the two semiquavers Czerny gives a quaver A (Kirnberger's reading).
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- (a) Several MSS. give G in place of Bb. G is given by Czerny.
- (b) Czerny gives Kirnberger's version:
- (c) Mugellini and Czerny give the following:

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- N. B. Throughout the Prelude this figure: _ _ must be played as follows: _ _ (see Fugue 5, Book 1).
- (a) The appoggiatura is not in the autograph, but many editions contain it.
- (b) Altnikol's MSS. give B# in place of B\(\frac{1}{2}\). The latter note is in the autograph.
- (c) This ornament is in the autograph. Kirnberger gives **. Many players omit the ornament altogether.



- (a) The appoggiatura is in the autograph. Altnikol's MSS. omit it.
- (b) C# is given in place of B in several MSS. This reading is given by Kroll (Peters) and Czerny. The autograph gives B.
- (c) The mordent is in the autograph and several MSS. Most of the printed editions omit it.
- (d) In place of Eq, given in the autograph, some MSS. give F#. Kroll (Peters) and Czerny also give F#.
- (c) The rule for beginning these shakes on the upper note is often disregarded in order to preserve the melodic line. The editor begins the first shake in each of these bars on the printed note, and the second shake on the upper note.





- (a) Begin the shake on the upper note.
- (b) The shake begins on the printed note.
- (c) This appoggiatura is usually given as a quaver. The autograph gives a semiquaver.



- We give the ornament as it appears in the autograph.
- Altnikol's MSS. give:-Our text is that of the autograph. (b)



- (a) We give the text of the autograph: Hitherto this has been a doubtful bar, owing to the differences in the manuscript copies. We are now able to state with certainty that the above version is by Bach himself.
- (b) This ornament is given in the autograph
- (c) Several MSS. give F# in place of E# given in the autograph.
- (d) This is the autograph version. Wouters gives the treble thus:

 One of the Altnikol MSS.

 It is given in
- (e) The mordent is given in the autograph.

Fugue XIII.

(three voices.)



Throughout the Fugue the shake on the first note of the Subject begins on the printed note. The remaining shakes begin on the upper note. The Countersubject begins on the fourth beat of bar 4.

- (a) The mordent is in the autograph. The following editions omit it:— Kroll (Peters and Bach-Gesellschaft), Wouters and D'Albert. Wouters omits the shake in bar 7 (bass).
- (b) First Episode. These three parts are written in triple counterpoint. The permutations will be seen in bars 14-18, and from bar 44 onwards.



- (a) Second Episode.
- (b) The mordent is in the autograph and in Kirnberger's MS. It is omitted by Bischoff, Kroll (Peters and B-G.) and D'Albert. Several editions give mordents in the middle part in bars 27, 28, 30, 31, but they are not in the autograph.
- (c) Counter-Exposition.



- (a) The autograph gives B\$, but B\$ is always played. The latter note is given by Altnikol.
- (b) Third Episode.
- (c) This is the autograph text, and is the one usually played. Wouters and Czerny give Altnikol's reading:
- (d) Some editions give a mordent to this E and also to the first beats (middle part) of bars 57, 58, 61, 62. The mordents are not in the autograph.
- (e) Fourth Episode.



- (a) The mordent is in the autograph and also in the MSS. of Altnikol and Kirnberger. The following editions omit it:— Bach-Gesellschaft, Wouters, D'Albert and Czerny. The latter gives a mordent on the first beat in the bass of this bar and the two following bars.
- (b) This mordent is in the autograph. It is omitted by Bischoff, Kroll (B-G. and Peters), Wouters and D'Albert.
- (c) Altnikol gives a mordent to B. It is not in the autograph.
- (d) Altnikol gives C#. The autograph gives E in place of an erased note-probably C#. The autograph reading is the one usually adopted. Czerny gives C#.

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- *The usual pace indication is \$\displace = 60. This, in the editor's opinion, is too fast. The mordents in bars 9,23,25 are in the autograph and in Kirnberger's MS.
- Czerny, following Forkel's MS., omits the tie to F#. (a)
- MSS. 57 (Kirnberger) and 49 of the Amalien library omit the # to D, but it is given in the autograph. (b)
- This text has been followed by Czerny and Wouters. Altnikol gives the following:-We give the autograph version.
- (d) The following variant, by Altnikol, is given by Czerny and Wouters :- 1
- This B is in the autograph, but Kroll (Bach-Gesellschaft and Peters), Czerny, D'Albert and Wouters give A. The MSS. of Schwenke and Altnikol omit the tie to F# in the bass. Copyright MCMXXVI, by Edwin Ashdown Ltd. (E.A.35527)





- This E# is in the autograph and also in Kirnberger's MS. Altnikol gives E\(\beta\). The following editions also give E\(\beta\):— Kroll (Peters), Czerny, Wouters, Mugellini.
- (d) Czerny omits the tie to F#, as in bar 2.



- (a) Altnikol gives G in place of G . The autograph and Kirnberger's MS. give G .
- (b) Czerny and Wouters, following Altnikol's MS., give A\$.

Fugue XIV.

(three voices.)



Riemann and Stade describe this as a triple Fugue. Here are the three Subjects:-



In the Final Section the three Subjects are combined in triple counterpoint.

(a) This mordent and the mordents in bars 6,11,16 are in the autograph and in Kirnberger's MS. also. They should be played as shakes, beginning on the principal note.

The shakes in bars 12 and 14 should begin on the upper note.





- (a) Kroll (B-G. and Peters) gives E as a dotted crotchet (Altnikol's version).
- (b) Forkel's MS. omits the # to B. The # is in the autograph and in all the MSS. I have examined.
- (c) MSS. 57 and 49 (Amalien library) omit the middle part.





- (a) In place of F# Czerny gives D a major 3rd below.
- (b) 1st Subject, varied.
- (c) 3rd Subject.
- (d) 2nd Subject.





- (a) 1st Subject.
- (b) 3rd Subject.
- (c) 2nd Subject.
- (d) Czerny gives A in place of F#. The latter note is in the autograph.
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The British Museum possesses two autographs of this Prelude and Fugue, both contained in the same volume. They are numberd 35021 (the Wesley copy) and 38068 (the Morten copy). The latter was presented to the British Museum by Mrs. Clara Morten, in October 1910. There is no mention of this autograph in the Bach-Gesellschaft edition.

- (a) The Morten autograph omits E. Forkel's MS. omits A (minim).
- (b) The turn is omitted by Kroll (B-G.) and D'Albert. Czerny gives a mordent in place of it.
- (c) The lower note of this ornament should be a semitone below the printed note. Throughout the Prelude Czerny incorrectly gives mordents instead of inverted mordents.



(a) The lower note of this ornament should be a tone below the printed note.



- (a) The lower note of this ornament should be a tone below the printed note.
- (b) Both of these ornaments are in the autographs. The mordent is omitted by Kroll (B-G. and Peters), Wouters, Mugellini and Czerny. D'Albert omits both ornaments.
- (c) The inverted mordent over D is not given in the autographs, but it is always played in order to agree with bar 15.

Fugue XV.

(three voices.)

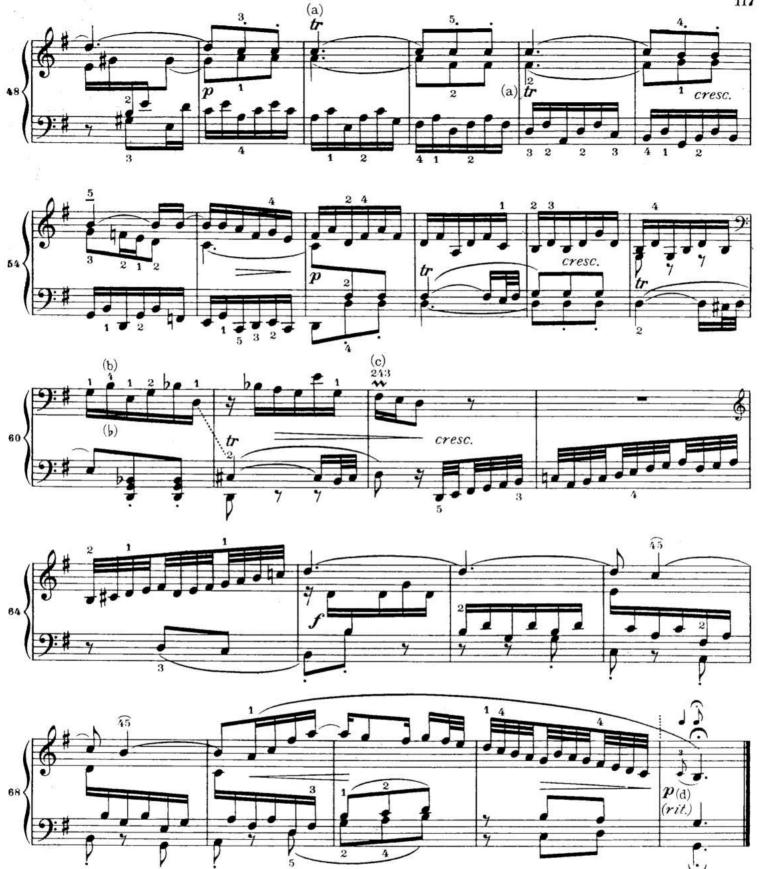


There is an earlier version of this Fugue consisting of sixty bars only. It differs considerably from the autographs and is much simpler in every way.

- (a) These mordents are in autograph 35021. They are omitted by Kroll (B-G.), D'Albert, Mugellini and Czerny.
- (b) First Episode.



(a) Second Episode.



- (a) The shake should end at the beginning of the third beat. In order to preserve the melodic line all the shakes should begin on the printed note.
- (b) Bb is often given in place of Bb. It is the version given in the MSS. of Altnikol and Schwenke. The autographs and MS. 57 (Amalien Library) give Bb.
- (c) Both autographs give the mordent, but a number of MSS-including Altnikol's-omit it.
- (d) The quaver appoggiatura is in the autographs.

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- ★ The Largo is by Bach.
- N.B. The dotted quavers throughout this Prelude should be played thus:— J... For other examples of the variable value of the dot in Bach's day see Fugue V, Book I, and Prelude XIII, Book II.
- (a) The Bach-Gesellschaft and Czerny editions omit the tie to D given by the autograph. No mention is made of the tie in the B-G. notes on the London autograph.
- (b) Kroll (Peters edition) and Czerny give:- We give the text of the autograph.



- (a) Several MSS. give D in place of the Bb given by the autograph.
- (b) Kroll (Peters edition) gives the following reading by Altnikol:- Our text gives the autograph version.
- (c) Instead of the minim G (alto) the autograph gives two crotchets tied—one at the end of a line and the other at the beginning of the next line. Altnikol's MS. gives the same spacing of the notes, but omits the tie. Because of this half-bar's similarity of note-spacing it has been stated that all of the manuscripts in the Altnikol group have been copied from the London autograph. The editor has examined all the Altnikol MSS., as well as the autograph, and has failed to find any justification for the statement. A reference to the footnotes of the present work will shew that there is ample evidence to prove that Altnikol was not copying from the London autograph.
- (d) Czerny gives Bh. The autograph gives Bb.
- (e) The C in the alto and the low G in the tenor are given as semiquavers by Altnikol.
- (f) This is the autograph text. Altnikol gives:- (E. A. 35529)

Fugue XVI.

(four voices.)



- (a) The \$\dagger\$ to E is omitted by the autograph- obviously an oversight. This mistake has been copied in several important MSS.
- (b) Altnikol's version, which we give in open score, differs considerably from the autograph:-





- (a) Altnikol and Schwenke give:-
- (b) First Episode.
- (c) Redundant entry of Subject.
- (d) Altnikol gives a crotchet rest in place of D. After this bar the alto is silent for 5 bars.
- (e) The tie to C is in the autograph.
- (f) Second Episode.
- (g) These notes are tied by Schwenke and Altnikol. The ties are not in the autograph.
- (h) Subject and Countersubject in Double Counterpoint at the 12th.



- (a) Subject and Countersubject in Double Counterpoint at the 10th.
- (b) This D is in the autograph and also in Kirnberger's MS. It is the reading followed by Kroll (Bach-Gesellschaft and Peters), D'Albert and Czerny. Altnikol's MSS. give Bb in place of D. This reading has been adopted by Bischof, Mugellini and Wouters.
- (c) The tie is in the autograph and the important MS. 416 (States Library, Berlin). There is no reference to the tie in the Bach-Gesellschaft notes. All of the printed editions omit it. It will be seen that the tie agrees with the tied C in bar 23. However, so many ties have been inserted in the MSS. by other hands that it is sometimes next to impossible to say which are genuine.
- (d) MS. No. 49 (Amalien Library) gives D in place of Bb (treble) and Bb in place of C (bass).
- (e) These notes are tied by Schwenke and Altnikol. The tie is not in the autograph.
- (f) The G is tied by Schwenke.
- (g) Third Episode.
- (h) Altnikol and Schwenke give the lower C in place of G.



- (a) This is the autograph text. Several MSS., including Altnikol's, give:-
- (b) Altnikol and Schwenke:-
- (c) Czerny ties these notes.
- (d) Altnikol gives Bb in place of G.
- (e) Altnikol gives A in place of F.
- (f) Altnikol and Schwenke give:- This version has been adopted by Czerny.
- (g) The crotchet rest, given in the autograph, has been misread by several copyists for middle C.
- (h) Fourth Episode.
- (i) Kroll (B-G. and Peters) gives G in place of the A given by the autograph. There is no reference to this in the Bach-Gesellschaft notes.



- (a) Fifth Episode.
- (b) The ties in the alto and tenor- given in the autograph- are omitted by many of the MSS.
- (c) Subject in 3rds. and Countersubject in 3rds., producing Double Counterpoint at the 8th, 10th. and 12th.
- (d) Altnikol and Schwenke give Eq.
- (e) Sixth Episode.
- (f) We give the autograph text. Altnikol II and the Poelchau group give:-

⁽g) Altnikol gives Ab. The b is omitted by the autograph and by Kirnberger, but they both give a b to A at the beginning of the next bar, which suggests that A must have been flattened in the preceding bar. Ab is always played.

(E. A. 35529)



- (a) Cf. bar 59 for Double Counterpoint.
- (b) The autograph omits the \$ to E- a mistake that has been perpetuated by nearly all of the copyists.
- (c) The tied G is in the autograph. Altnikol gives middle C in place of G. Kroll also gives C, in the Peters edition.
- (d) The Amalien MSS. omit the tie to G.
- (e) Kirnberger gives a b to A. The autograph gives Ab.
- (f) Several MSS. give:-
- (g) These three notes are given in the autograph. Altnikol and Schwenke give the conventional ornament in place of them.
- (h) Kroll (B-G. and Peters), Mugellini and Wouters tie D to D in the next bar. There is no tie in the autograph. (E. A. 35529)

Prelude XVII.

Edited by Orlando Morgan.

J. S. Bach.



In the autograph the right hand part is written in the treble clef, as in No. I (Book II). The soprano clef is used in all the other numbers.

The staccato signs in bars 5 and 6 are in the autograph.

- (a) MSS. 57 and 49 (Amalien Library) give G in place of the F in the autograph.
- (b) Several MSS. which I have examined give:Copyright, MCMXXVI, by Edwin Ashdown Ltd.



(a) We give the autograph version. Usually, the middle note is written again in the following chord, the two notes being tied.



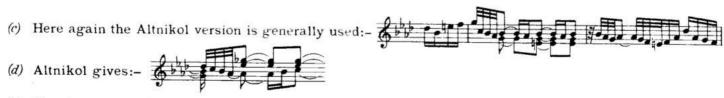
(a) Cb is always played here, but there is no b to C in the autograph.



(a) This is the autograph text. The following version, by Altnikol, is generally used, chiefly because it was given by Kroll and Bischof, who did not know of the existence of the autograph:-



(b) The mordents in brackets are generally played, but they are not in the autograph.



- (e) The short slurs above these eight semiquavers are in the autograph.
- (f) Altnikol's version:- (E. A. 35530)



- (6) Gb is generally played. There is no b to G in the autograph. A number of MSS also give G
 abla, but the majority of the printed editions give Gb.
- (o) The appoggiaturas are not in the autograph. They are, however, always played.
- (d) The mordent is not in the autograph, but all the printed editions contain it. It may be played thus:-



(e) This Ab is in the autograph and in Kirnberger's MS. It is not given in the printed editions. (E. A. 35530)

Fugue XVII.

(four voices.)



D'Albert phrases the entire Subject non legato. Others phrase it legato throughout.

There is another autograph of this Fugue (States Library, Berlin) consisting of a single leaf only.

Apart from the London autograph of Book II, which contains twenty-one Preludes and Fugues in Bach's handwriting, this solitary leaf is the *only* part of Book II that has been proved to be an autograph (see Preface). In both autographs the part for the right hand is written in the treble clef.

The earliest version of this Fugue is a Fughetta, twenty-four bars in length, in F Major.

- (a) First Countersubject.
- (b) Second Countersubject.
- (c) We give the text of the London autograph, the MSS and the Fughetta. The Berlin autograph gives:



- (b) The Fughetta (transposed from F) gives:-
- (c) Fughetta:-
- (d) Counter-Exposition. The Subject and 1st Countersubject are in double counterpoint at the 12th.
- " Fughetta:-
- (f) Kroll (Peters), Czerny and Wouters:- We give the autograph text. In the Bach-Gesellschaft notes the London autograph is misquoted.
- (g) Fughetta:-



- (a) Kroll (Peters) gives:- This version is given in a number of MSS.
- (b) Some MSS. give: Kroll (Peters), Czerny and Wouters have adopted this reading. We base our text on the autographs, the Amalien MSS. and the Fughetta.
- (c) Fughetta:-
- (d) The Fughetta gives a crotchet (A) in the Alto. The Berlin autograph gives Db in the alto. We give the text of the London autograph and the majority of the MSS.
- (e) The Fughetta ends here, thus:-



- (a) Second Episode.
- (b) Kroll (Peters), Czerny, Wouters and Mugellini:- We give the text of the autographs.
- (c) A number of MSS. that I have examined omit the ato this D, but the autographs contain it.



- (a) The Amalien MSS. give Ah. Theh was originally in the London autograph, but it was afterwards altered into a large b.
- (b) Kroll (Peters), Czerny, Wouters and Mugellini:
- (c) The London autograph and a number of MSS, omit the b to F given in the Berlin autograph. Fb is generally played.
- (d) The tie to Ab is given in both autographs. Kroll (Bach-Gesellschaft and Peters), D'Albert and Czerny omit it. There is no reference to the tie in the B-G. notes on the London autograph.
- (e) Final Section. The Subject is answered in stretto in the next bar (bass).



- Many MSS. tie Eb. There is no tie in the autographs.
- 'd) Kroll (B-G. and Peters), Czerny, D'Albert and Wouters give :-The autographs omit the low Ab, but many MSS. contain it.

It will be seen that 35 out of the 50 bars comprising this Fugue are in less than four parts.

Prelude XVIII.

Edited by Orlando Morgan

J. S. Bach.



The indications *piano* and *forte* in bars 3 and 5, and the slurs to the quavers in bars 9 and 10 (treble), 37 and 38 (bass), 44 and 45 (treble) are by Bach.

(a) The autograph originally gave E#, but the # was afterwards altered to a \$\psi\$. The following editions give E#:- Kroll (Bach-Gesellschaft and Peters), Bischoff, Mugellini, Wouters, D'Albert and Czerny, none of whom knew of the existence of the autograph.

(b) We give the autograph version. Altnikol gives:-



- (d) Altnikol gives B\(\beta\). This agrees with bar 6, as altered in the autograph.
- Altnikol's MSS, omit the sign for the double sharp. The autograph contains it.
- (f) In the MSS, of Schwenke and Altnikol there is a tie to G#.



- (a) This A# is given by the autograph, Kirnberger, and several other MSS., but A# is given in the printed editions.
- (b) Mugellini and Wouters give Ah in place of the A# of the autograph.
- (c) The \$\dagger\$ to G is in the autograph and several MSS. Kroll (B-G. and Peters) and Bischoff give G\$\dagger\$ in the text and G\$\dagger\$ as an alternative reading. D'Albert, Czerny, Mugellini and Wouters give G\$\dagger\$ without comment.
- (d) This is the text of the autograph and MSS. Czerny has added an appoggiatura:— Wouters also gives the appoggiatura. Bischoff, Kroll (B-G. and Peters), Mugellini and D'Albert agree with the autograph. (E. A. 35531)



- (a) The autograph gives a # to C. This was the old method of indicating a double sharp when the inflected note was already sharpened in the key-signature. Bach frequently used the conventional sign for the double sharp as well as the old method. Unfortunately, the latter was not understood by some of the copyists, whose ignorance was responsible for many so-called "readings."
- (b) Altnikol ties E. The tie is not in the autograph.
- (c) Altnikol and Schwenke give:- This reading has been followed by Kroll (Peters) and Czerny. We give the text of the autograph.
- (d) Altnikol:-
- (f) Altnikol omits B. The autograph gives it.
- (g) The autograph and all the MSS. I have examined omit the # to B, but B# is always played. (E. A. 35531)

Fugue XVIII.

(three voices.)



This is a Double Fugue. At bar 61 there begins the Exposition of a 2nd Subject, which is afterwards combined with the 1st Subject in bars 103,111,125,135.

- (a) Codetta.
- (b) Kirnberger's MS. gives Fx in place of D# (Alto).
- (c) First Episode.



- (a) Begin the shake on the printed note. Add "concluding notes".
- (b) Second Episode.
- Third Episode.



- (a) Begin the shakes on the printed note.
- (b) Second Subject.
- (c) This ornament is in the autograph. It should be played like the preceding shakes.



- The tie to $D\sharp$ is omitted by Altnikol.



- (a) Fifth Episode.
- (b) MSS. 57 and 49 (Amalien Library) omit the tie here and in bar 115 (bass). The ties are given in the autograph.
- (c) First and second Subjects combined. (See also bars 111,125,135).
- (d) Sixth Episode.
- (e) Seventh Episode.



because it does not break the melodic line.

Prelude XIX.

Edited by Orlando Morgan.

J.S.Bach.



- (a) Altnikol's MS. ties E. There is no tie in the autograph.
- (b) Several MSS. omit this tie, but it is in the autograph.





- (a) Altnikol:-
- (b) The appogratura is in the autograph and also in Kirnberger's MS. (Nº 57, Amalien Library) It is omitted by Schwenke and Altnikol.
- (c) G\$\psi\$ is given in several MSS., but G\$\psi\$ is in the autograph.
- (d) A number of MSS omit the \sharp to A. The \sharp was added over the note in the autograph probably by a strange hand at a later date than the rest of the copy.
- (e) Kirnberger's MS. omits the tie to A given by the autograph.

Fugue XIX.

(three voices.)



- (a) Altnikol and Schwenke give: Kroll (Peters) follows this reading. We give the text of the autograph and Kirnberger's MS. The quaver D# is also given by Bischoff, Kroll (B-G.) Czerny, Wouters, Mugellini and D'Albert.
- (b) Several MSS., including those of Altnikol and Schwenke, give G\$ in place of G\$.



- (b) First Episode.
- (c) This is the autograph version. The low A shews that the Fugue was originally written for the harpsichord (the lowest note on Bach's clavichord was:-

In place of the first two semiquavers in the bar Altnikol and Schwenke give a quaver rest, thus making the Fugue available for performance on the clavichord.

(d) Second Episode.



- (a) The autograph originally gave G\(\beta\). Later, however, the \(\beta\) was altered to a \(\beta(cf.\) bar 28,3rd beat, treble). Altnikol gives G\(\beta\). The latter note is given by Wouters and Mugellini. The following editions give G\(\beta\):- Kroll (B-G and Peters), Bischoff, D'Albert and Czerny.
- (b) Third Episode.
- (c) Fourth Episode.
- (d) The \$\psi\$ to D is in the autograph. Wouters and Mugellini give D\$\psi\$— Altnikol's version.
- The mordent is in the autograph. Some players interpret it as a shake, others as a mordent.

 The shake should be played thus:-

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Edited by Orlando Morgan.

J. S. Bach.



The two themes of this Prelude are written in Double Counterpoint at the octave and- in the second part-in inverse movement, also in Double Counterpoint.

(a) It is interesting to compare this chromatic theme with Fugue 6, Book II (2nd. part of the Subject), bars 3 and 4, 11 and 12, 17 and 18, where entirely different counterpoint is used against the same theme.



(a) This ornament-played as a shake beginning on the lower auxiliary note- is in the autograph. It is usually printed tr.

(b) E is given as a demisemiquaver by Kroll (Bach-Gesellschaft and Peters), D'Albert and Czerny. It is in Altnikol's MS. The autograph gives a quaver. (E.A. 35533)



- (b) Several MSS. give F#. The autograph gives F#.
- (c) Schwenke and Altnikol give Eb and Db in place of Eb and Db. This reading has been followed by Kroll (Peters), Mugellini, Wouters and Czerny. We give the autograph text.
- (d) Kroll (B-G. and Peters), Wouters and D'Albert give an inverted mordent over E, but it is not in the autograph. The Bach-Gesellschaft has overlooked this.
- (e) The inverted mordent is in the autograph. Kroll (B-G. and Peters) and D'Albert omit it. (E.A. 35533)

Fugue XX.

(three voices.)



The Subject ends on the first quaver in bar 3.

The groups of quavers in bars 2, 3, 4, 5 are usually printed with staccato dashes (***) over them. There is not the slightest proof that they are by Bach, as has been stated. They are not in the autograph, and the manuscript copies are not in agreement. Some of them omit the signs altogether, whilst others that I have examined differ in the number of notes that are marked staccato.

- (a) Begin the shake on the upper note at each repetition of this figure.
- (b) Altnikol gives the middle part thus:-
- (c) First Episode.
- (d) Second Episode.



- (a) Third Episode.
- (b) Schwenke and Altnikol give these two groups an octave higher. Kroll gives the same reading in Peters edition. We give the autograph text.
- (c) Several MSS., including those of Schwenke and Altnikol, give E in place of the B given by the autograph.
- (d) Fourth Episode.
- (e) The two MSS. in the Amalien Library give C#. We give the autograph version.



- (a) Fifth Episode.
- (b) Kroll (Peters) gives C#. It is given in the MSS. of Schwenke and Altnikol. The autograph gives C#
- (c) The ornament in brackets is not given in the autograph, but it is always played (most of the MSS. I have examined give a trill- written w or w). It should be played as a shake beginning on the lower auxiliary note.
- (d) The C# is given in the autograph and a number of MSS., and the chord is in three parts only. The printed editions, Czerny's excepted, end with a minor triad, thus:

 | When the major chord is played it is generally thickened to five parts, as in the minor ending.

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- The MSS. of Schwenke and Altnikol give the following ornament over Eb:- www. Wouters gives w. There is no ornament to Eb in the autograph.
- 161 This is the autograph text. The ornament should be played as a shake, beginning on the printed note.

The printed editions usually give:-Several MSS. give tr. over the quaver Bb.

ornament and the notation agree with the autograph.



- (a) Czerny gives Eh. The autograph gives Eb.
- (b) MSS.57 and 49 (Amalien Library) omit the \$\psi\$ to E.
- (c) The inverted mordent is in the autograph. It is generally played as a shake with "concluding notes." The ornament appears in various MSS. as follows:- w, tr., w.
- (d) The mordent over Ab is in the autograph and a number of MSS. Most of the printed editions omit it.

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This is the text of the autograph and the important MS. P.416 (States Library, Berlin). Altnikol gives the following:

Altnikol's reading is given by Kroll (Peters), Bischoff, Mugellini and Wouters. The autograph version is given by the B-G., D'Albert and Czerny. Bischoff gives it as an alternative reading.

- (b) In the editor's opinion the A of the autograph is a slip of the pen. Obviously, the figure is intended to agree with the analogous passage in bar 34. Altnikol's MS. gives C, and this note is generally regarded as correct. It is given by Kroll (Peters), Bischoff, Czerny, Wouters, Mugellini and others. In the B-G, edition Kroll gives A.
- (c) The autograph D in place of F is clearly an oversight. F is always played.
- (d) A number of MSS. give:- Czerny and Mugellini give this reading. We give the text of the autograph. (E. A. 35534)





- (a) Mugellini and Wouters give A \(\(\) (Altnikol, MS. I). The autograph gives A \(\), and this is the note usually played.
- (b) The tie to Bb is omitted by MSS. 57 and 49 (Amalien Library).
- (c) The abla to E is in the autograph. Altnikol gives Eb.



- (a) The flats to G and D are in the autograph. Altnikol's MSS omit them. Kroll gives them in the B-G edition but omits them in Peters edition. The majority of the printed editions give the autograph version.
- (b) Altnikol gives:-
- (c) The Bb is in the autograph. This decides a doubtful note. The MSS of Altnikol and Schwenke give Bb. In the B-G edition Kroll gives Bb in the text and Bb as an alternative, but in Peters edition he reverses this. Bischoff gives Bb in the margin and Bb in the text. The majority of the printed editions give Bb.
- (d) The autograph gives A in place of G- a mistake that was copied by Altnikol. G is always played.
- (e) Several MSS. I have seen give Eb, but it is never played.



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Fugue XXI.



All the Episodes are derived from the Subject.

The short slurs in bars 3 and 4 are in the autograph.

(a) The crotchets in the Alto are given by the autograph and a number of MSS., including Kirnberger's.

Altnikol's MS. gives the following:

- We give the text of the autograph and several MSS. This reading is given by Kroll (B-G.), Wouters, D'Albert and Czerny. The following version, by Altnikol, is given by Kroll (Peters), Bischoff and Mugellini:
 Bischoff gives the autograph version as a variant.
- (c) This F is in the autograph and a number of MSS. It is also given by Kroll (B-G. and Peters), D'Albert and Mugellini. Altnikol gives:- This version is followed by Bischoff, Wouters and Czerny.
- (d) Schwenke and Altnikol give a mordent over A. Czerny gives tr. There is no ornament to A in the autograph.



- This bar and the two following bars are written in Triple Counterpoint—the two counterpoints accompanying the Subject being derived from bar 6 (alto). In bars 41-43 the two upper parts of bars 33-35 are inverted in Double Counterpoint in the 12th, and the lower and middle parts in Double Counterpoint in the 10th.
- (b) The low Eb is in the autograph. Altnikol gives a quaver rest in place of it.
- (c) MSS. 57 and 49 (Amalien Library) give the middle part thus:
- (E.A.35534) The bass and treble of bars 33-34 are here inverted in Double Counterpoint in the 12th.



- Bb is given in place of C by D'Albert and Czerny. Kroll (B-G.) gives Bb in the text with C as an alternative. In the Peters edition he gives C in the text. The latter note is given in Altnikol's MS., and this reading has been followed in many printed editions, including Bischoff's. After a close study of the autograph I am convinced that it originally gave Bb, but the head of the note was afterwards enlarged to C.
- (b) Bars 88-90 are often given as follows:-

The latter is the reading of the MSS. of Schwenke and Altnikol. We give the text of the autograph.



- Czerny ties this Bb to the following note. There is no tie in the autograph.
- Altnikol (MS. I) gives the Alto thus:-
- The autograph originally gave a \$ to G, but someone has made a clumsy attempt to alter the \$ to a >. The MSS of Schwenke, Altnikol and the Pölchau group give Gh, and this is the note usually played. Several MSS. give Gb. The Bach-Gesellschaft edition gives the latter note, basing its text on MS. P.416 which Kroll believed was an autograph (see Preface).



(a) Czerny ties this Eb to the following note (cf bar 3).



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Fugue XXII.



- Some editions give staccato dashes over the first three notes of the Subject and also over the crotchets in bar 13. The staccato signs are not in the autograph. The fact of their being in several manuscript copies is no proof that they are by Bach.
- (b) Countersubject.
- Altnikol (MS. I) gives F in place of D4. Copyright MCMXXVI by Edwin Ashdown Ltd.





- (a) Episode.
- (b) Cb is usually played in place of the Bb given by the autograph and a number of MSS. The Cb is given by Altnikol.
- (c) Stretto (tenor and alto) at the upper 7th.
- (d) A minim is sometimes given in place of the crotchet Bb. We give the text of the autograph and Kirnberger's MS.
- (e) Altnikol gives the tenor thus:- Altnikol's reading is given by Kroll (Peters) and Czerny. Our text is based on the autograph, the Amalien MSS. etc. The autograph version is given by Kroll (B.G.), Bischoff, D'Albert, Wouters, Mugellini and others.
- (f) Stretto (treble and bass) at the lower 9th.
- (g) The treble, alto and bass are written in Triple Counterpoint. See bars 38-39.





- This is the text of the autograph and Kirnberger's MS. It is generally played thus:

 The alto of bars 40-41 is an imitation, a 7th lower, of bars 38-39 (treble), but the autograph version breaks the imitation. In the editor's opinion it is an oversight.
- (b) Another Exposition begins here with the Subject (tenor) and Countersubject (alto) in inverse move-ment. This Exposition ends at bar 62.



- (a) Episode.
- (b) Stretto (tenor and treble. Subject in inverse movement) at the upper 9th.



- (a) Stretto (alto and bass. Subject in inverse movement) at the lower 7th.
- (b) MSS. 57 and 49 (Amalien library) and Altnikol (MS. II) give Gb. The autograph gives Gb, and this note is always played.
- (c) Several MSS. give:- We give the autograph reading.
- (d) This is the text of the autograph and several MSS. Most editions contain the following version by Altnikol:-
- (e) Stretto. Subject in inverse movement in Treble and in direct movement in tenor.
- (f) Episode. The alto is silent in bars 84-88.
- (g) Schwenke and Altnikol give Gh in place of Gh given by the autograph. Gh is always played.



- (a) Stretto, bass (Subject direct) and alto (Subject in inverse movement).
- (b) Altnikol (MS. II.) gives Ah here and Ab on the first beat in bar 93. We give the autograph version—the one always played.
- (c) Stretto, treble and alto in 6ths (Subject direct), and tenor and bass in 3rds (Subject in inverse movement).

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(d) The ornament is played thus:

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(a) We give the ornaments as they appear in the autograph.



- *The notes marked with an asterisk are missing from the autograph, owing to the paper being worn at the fold of the page.
- (a) The low B was on the harpsichord, but it was a semitone below the compass of Bach's Clavichord—the instrument for which most of the Forty-eight were composed.



(a) The approgratura D# is in the autograph. In place of it Altnikol gives windicating D# and E.



- The MSS of Schwenke and Altnikol give a quaver rest in place of the first G#. The G# is in the autograph.
- (b) Kroll (Peters), Mugellini, Wouters and Czerny give an inverted mordent over E, following the MSS.of Altnikol. The ornament is not in the autograph.
- (c) Wouters and Mugellini give the following variant by Schwenke and Altnikol:-

Fugue XXIII.

(four voices.)



The Subject ends on the first note in bar 4.

- (a) First Countersubject.
- (b) Codetta.
- (c) Codetta.
- (d) Redundant entry.
- (e) The tie to F# is in the autograph. It is omitted by Altnikol (MS.II) and Schwenke.
- (f) Episode.



- (a) The tie to B is omitted by Altnikol (MS.I), and by Kroll (Bach-Gesellschaft and Peters editions) and D'Albert.
- (b) Counter-Exposition.
- (c) Second Countersubject. In bars 36-37 and 43-44, the Subject and the Second Countersubject are inverted in Double Counterpoint at the 12th.
- (d) Episode.
- (e) The notes marked with an asterisk are missing from the autograph.
- (f) Episode.



- (a) Codetta.
- (b) Codetta.
- (c) The ties, in brackets, are omitted from the autograph and a number of MSS, which I have examined, but they are invariably observed in playing.
- (d) Episode.
- (e) This At is in the autograph and the Amalien MSS. G# is usually played.
- (f) Episode.



- (a) The bass is silent from here to the end of bar 74.
- (b) Episode.



- (a) Mugellini, incorrectly, gives a minim A# in place of the four quavers.
- (b) The tie to E# is in the autograph. A number of important MSS., including those in the Amalien library and the second MS. of Altnikol, omit the tie. It is also omitted by Kroll (B.-G.), D'Albert and Wouters.
- (c) In several editions there is a tie to F#. As most of this bar and the chord in the last bar are missing from the autograph the editor has followed the reading of the Amalien MSS.

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- (a) The Amalien MSS. give Eb.
- (b) Several MSS, give a mordent over this note and also over the second crotchet in bar 24 (treble) and bar 32 (bass). The mordents are not in the autograph.
- (c) Altnikol (MS. I) gives:-



*The staccato dashes in these bars, and in bars 59 and 60, are in the autograph.

(a) Altnikol (MS.I) gives:-



- (a) This ornament and the ornaments in bars 32,34,36, are omitted by Altnikol (MS.I) and Schwenke, but they are given in the autograph.
- (b) Schwenke's MS. gives G#. The autograph gives G\(\beta\). Kroll (Peters edition), Wouters and Mugellini give G\(\beta\). The autograph version is given by the Bach-Gesellschaft, Bischoff, D'Albert, Czerny and others.





In Peters edition Kroll followed Altnikol's reading, but when he edited the Bach-Gesellschaft edition a few years later he gave the autograph version.

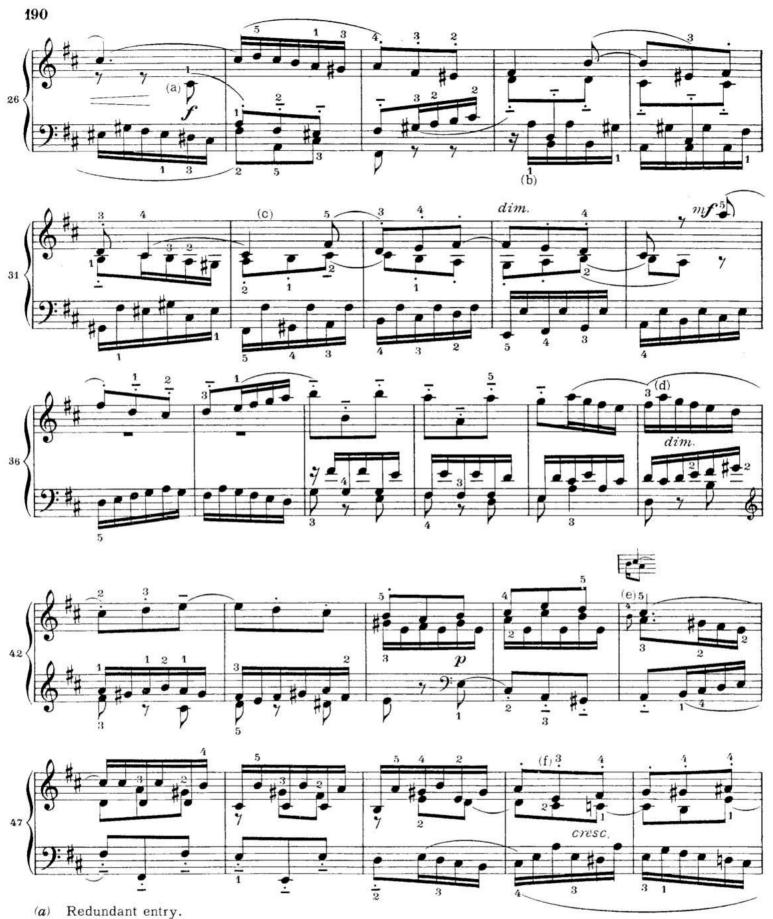
(b) The Poelchau MSS. give Ah in place of A#.

Fugue XXIV.

(three voices.)



(c) Episode.



- w, risaanaan siirj
- (b) Countersubject.
- (c) Episode.
- (d) Episode.
- (e) The appoggiatura is given as a short hook—not a note—in the autograph. The Amalien MSS, also contain the appoggiatura. The following editions omit it:— Kroll (Peters and B.-G.), D'Albert and Czerny.
- (f) Episode.





(a) Altnikol, Schwenke and the Poelchau MSS, sharpen this note and the first note (bass) in bar 94. The sharps are not in the autograph.

(b) Episode.



- (b) The Poelchau MSS. give:-
- (c) Episode.
- (d) Altnikol (MS.I) and Schwenke give the last two bars thus:- We give the autograph text.
- (e) We give the reading of the autograph and many MSS. Czerny, following Altnikol, (MS.1) ends with a minor triad.