Le Clavier bien tempéré I

collection des préludes et fugues de

Jean Sébastien Bach
(1685–1750)

arrangées pour le piano à quatre mains par

Henri Bertini jeune
(1798–1876)

École de la musique d'ensemble

Études spéciales du style élevé,
de la mesure et de toutes les combinaisons
les plus difficiles du rythme

Piano duo

Copyright © 2007 by James L. Bailey
Non-commercial copying welcome
Downloaded from the Werner Icking Music Archive

Henri Jérôme Bertini 1798–1876

Henri Jérôme Bertini was born in London on October 28, 1798, but his family returned to Paris six months later. He received his early musical education from his father and his brother, a pupil of Clementi. He was considered a child prodigy and at the age of 12 his father took him on a tour of England, Holland, Flanders, and Germany where he was enthusiastically received. After studies in composition in England and Scotland he was appointed professor of music in Brussells but returned to Paris in 1821. It is known that Bertini gave a concert with Franz Liszt in the Salons Pape on April 20, 1828. The program included a transcription by Bertini of Beethoven's Symphony No. 7 in A major for eight hands (the other pianists were Sowinsky and Schunke.) He was also admired as a chamber music performer, giving concerts with his friends Fontaine (violin) and Franchomme (cello). He remained active in and around Paris until around 1848 when he retired from the musical scene. In 1859 he moved to Meylan (near Grenoble) where he died on September 30, 1876.

Bertini concertized widely but was not as celebrated a virtuoso as either Kalkbrenner or Henri Herz. One of his contempories (Marmontel) described his playing as having Clementi's evenness and clarity in rapid passages as well as the quality of sound, the manner of phrasing, and the ability to make the instrument sing characteristic of the school of Hummel and Moschelès. Thomas Tapper, in the preface of his edition of the Études Op.100 published by Ditson, says:

> He was in his time a shining example of the most admirable qualities of an artist. Living in an age of garish virtuosity, and hailed as a brilliant executant himself, he maintained nevertheless the most rigorous standards of musicianship in his playing, in his compositions, and in the music which he appeared before the public to interpret. This is the more remarkable when one considers that his manhood was reached during the luxuriant period of French romanticism and that the extravagances of the literary outburst were reflected in the musical movements of the time. Virtuosity was subjected to sore temptations and many succumbed. Bertini stood for the sounder qualities of the artist and gradually acquired an extended and remunerative *prestige*. His life was singularly devoid of incident and official distinction, but the legacy of pedagogic works which he has left to us and his honorable activity give it every right to be called a success.

Bertini was celebrated as a teacher. Antoine Marmontel, who devoted the second chapter of his work on celebrated pianists to Bertini, writes

> He was unsurpassed as a teacher, giving his lessons with scrupulous care and the keenest interest in his pupils' progress. After he had given up teaching, a number of his pupils continued with me, and I recognized the soundness of the principles drawn from his instruction.
>
> It is above all in the special class of studies and caprices, that Bertini's immense popularity is founded. It is here that he occupied a unique position and opened the path over which the next generation of composers was to rush after him. In each of his numerous collections of studies, embracing every degree of difficulty, he has insistently given to every piece, easy or difficult, brief or extended, a character of salient melody. The technical problem to be overcome presents itself as a song; even where the study is devoted to the problem of velocity the general contour falls into a melodic curve, and this is the first and transcendent cause of the universal success of these pieces, which are, furthermore, natural in respect to rhythm and carefully thought out harmonically.

Robert Schumann, in a review of a piano trio in the *Gesammelte Schriften*, comments that Bertini writes easily flowing harmony but that the movements are too long. He continues: "With the best will in the world, we find it difficult to be angry with Bertini, yet he drives us to distraction with his perfumed Parisian phrases; all his music is as smooth as silk and satin."[1] German sentimentality has never appreciated French elegance.

Bertini is best remembered today for his piano method *Le Rudiment du pianiste,* and his 20 books of approximately 500 studies.

For more information on the life of Bertini, see *Henri Bertini pianiste virtuose, compositeur de musique* (Grenoble, 1999) by Pascal Beyls (`http://perso.wanadoo.fr/pascal.beyls/bertini/bertini.html`).

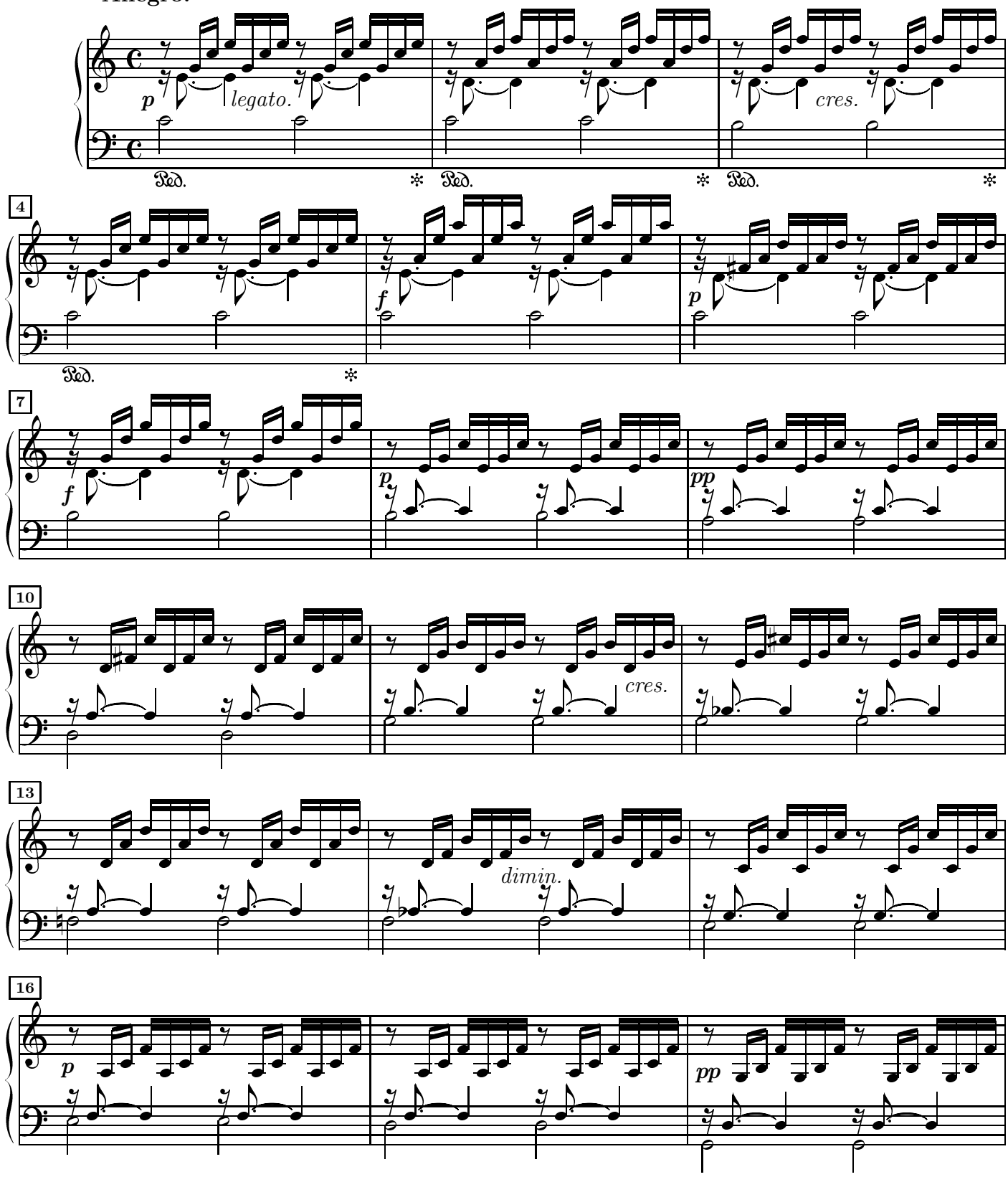
[1] from Cobbett's Cyclopedic Survey of Chamber Music, Second Edition, Volume 1, page 124.

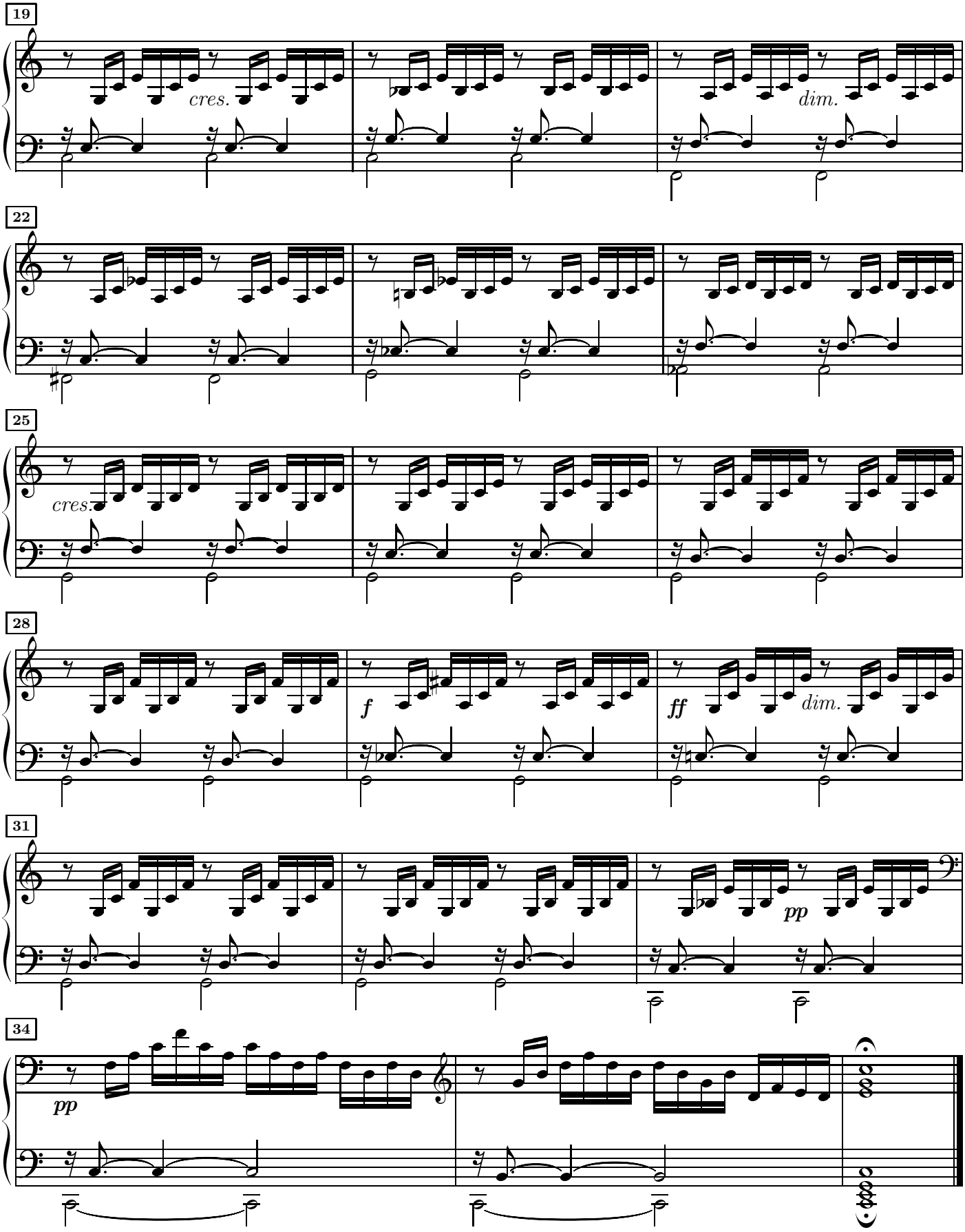
Insert the Editorial Notes here.

1.re en ut majeur

Prélude
Allegro.

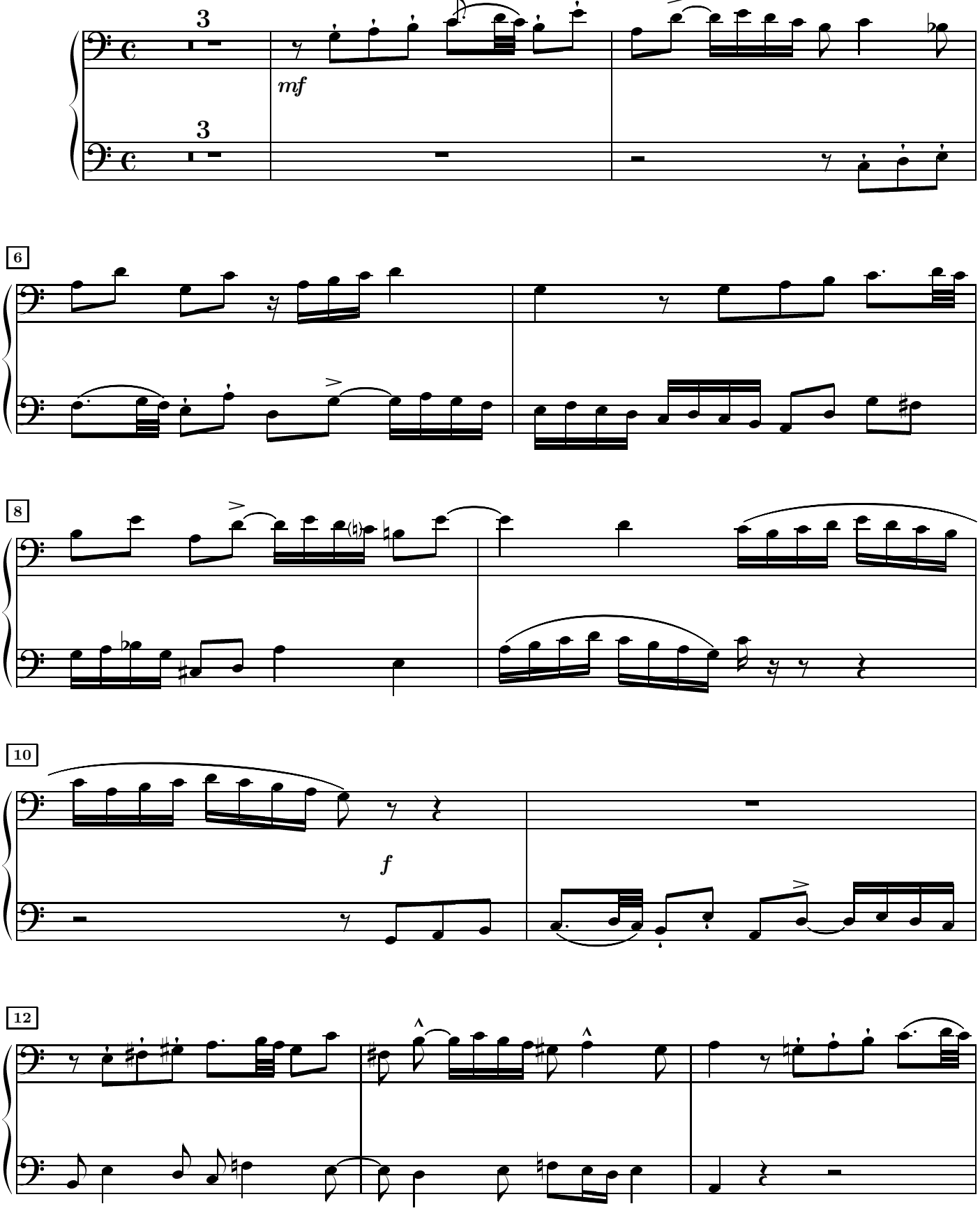
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini




19
cres.
dim.
22
25
cres.
28
f
ff
dim.
31
pp
34
pp

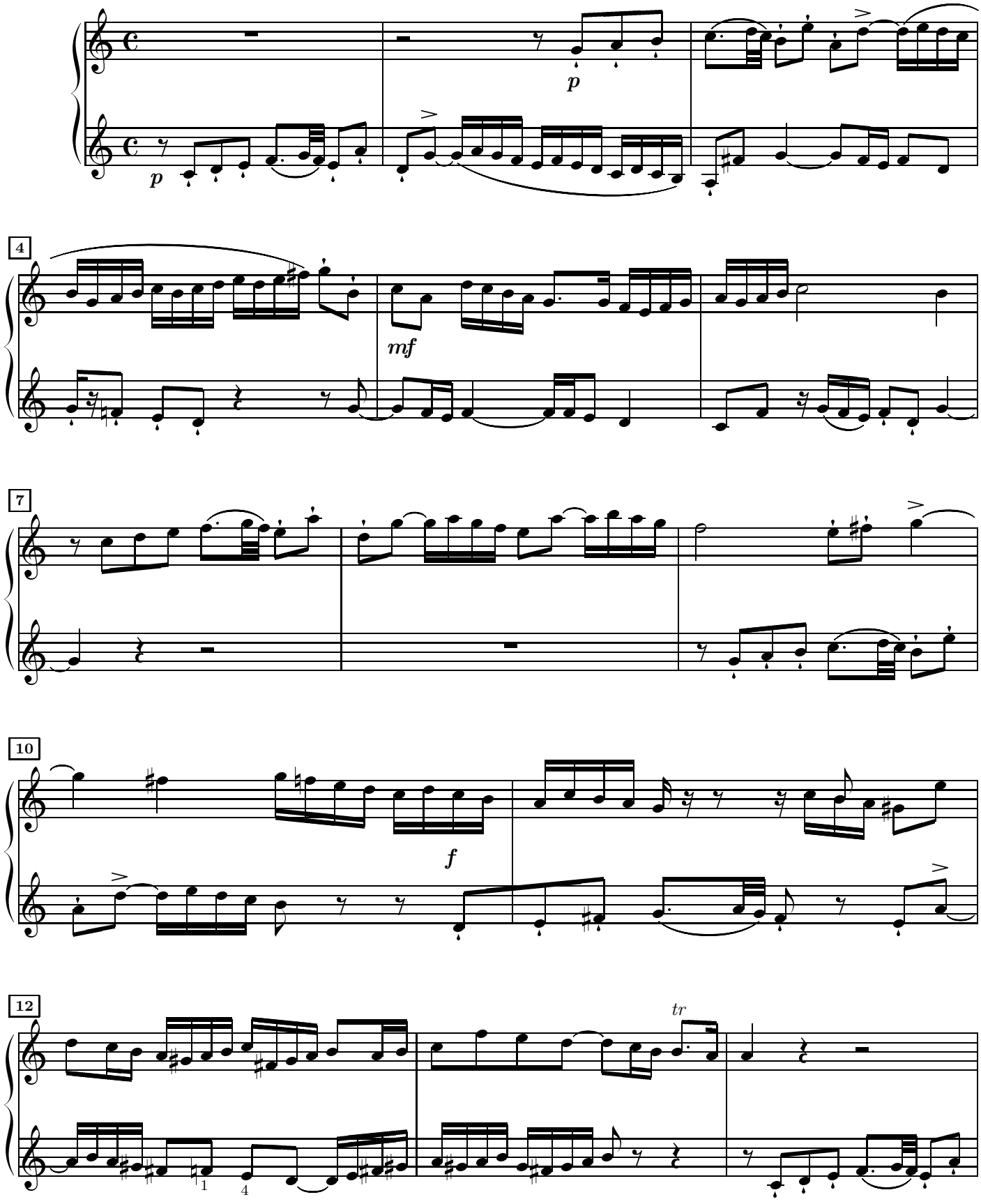
Fugue à 4 voix

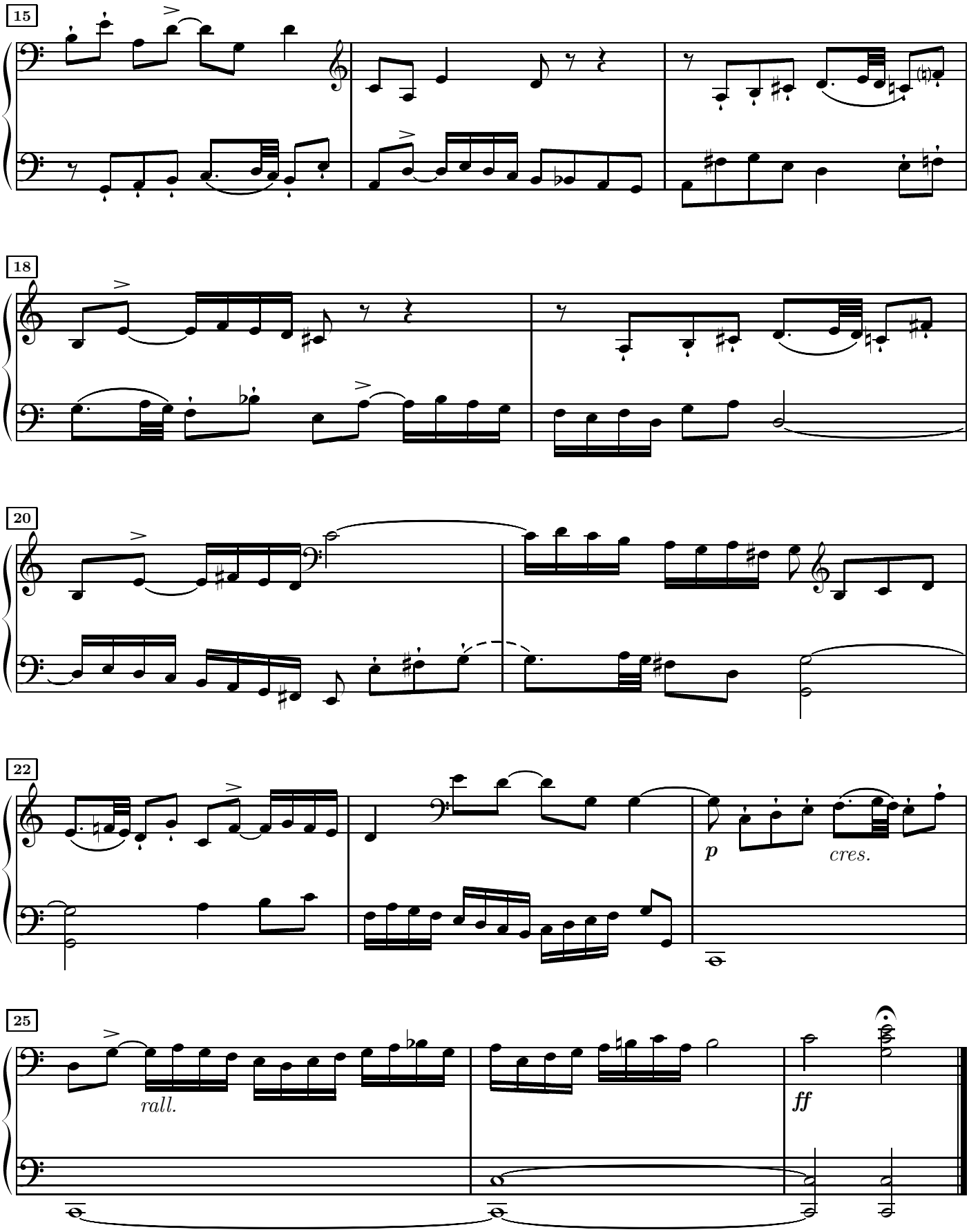
Moderato mæstoso.

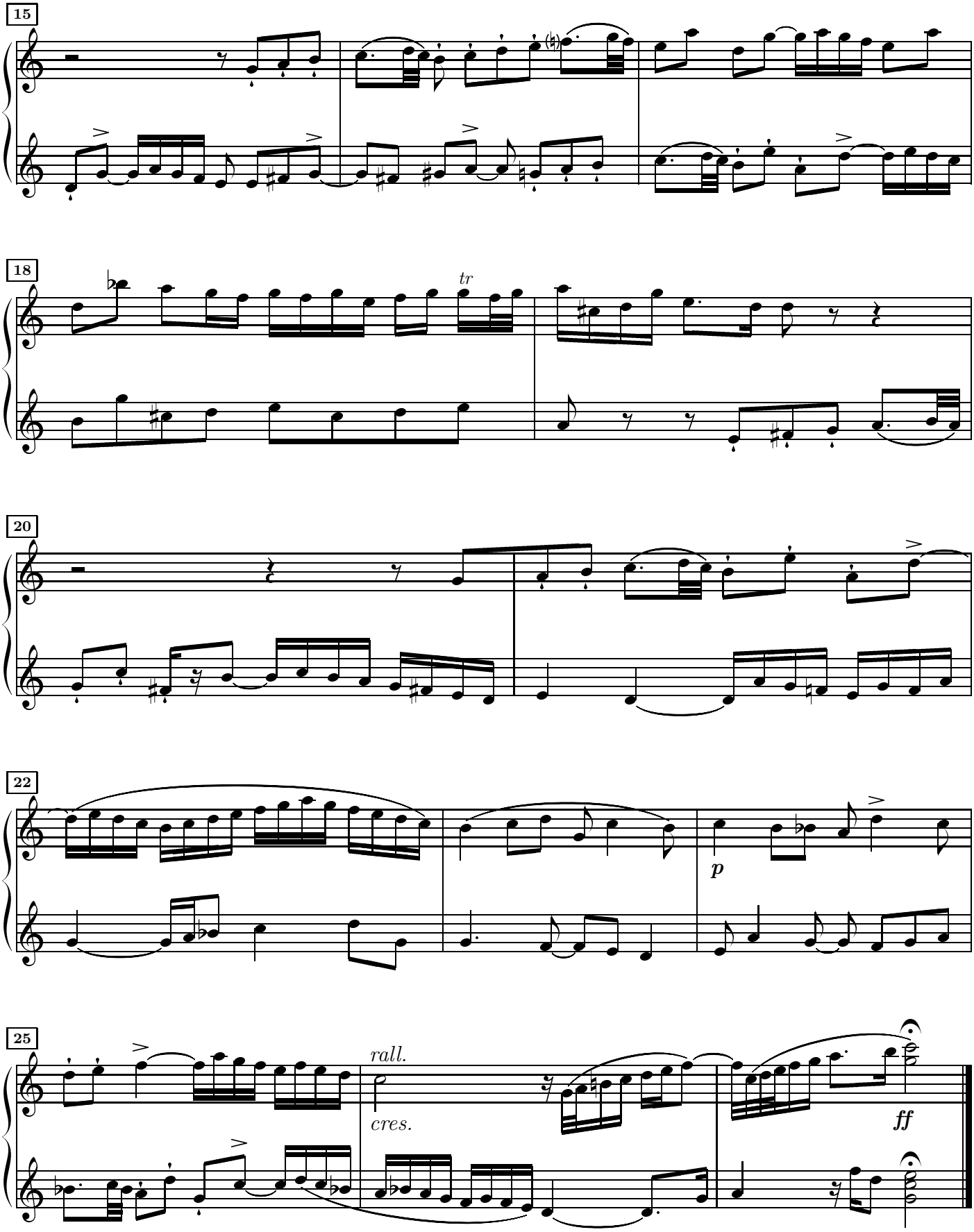


Fugue à 4 voix

Moderato mæstoso.




15
18
20
22
p
cres.
25
rall.
ff

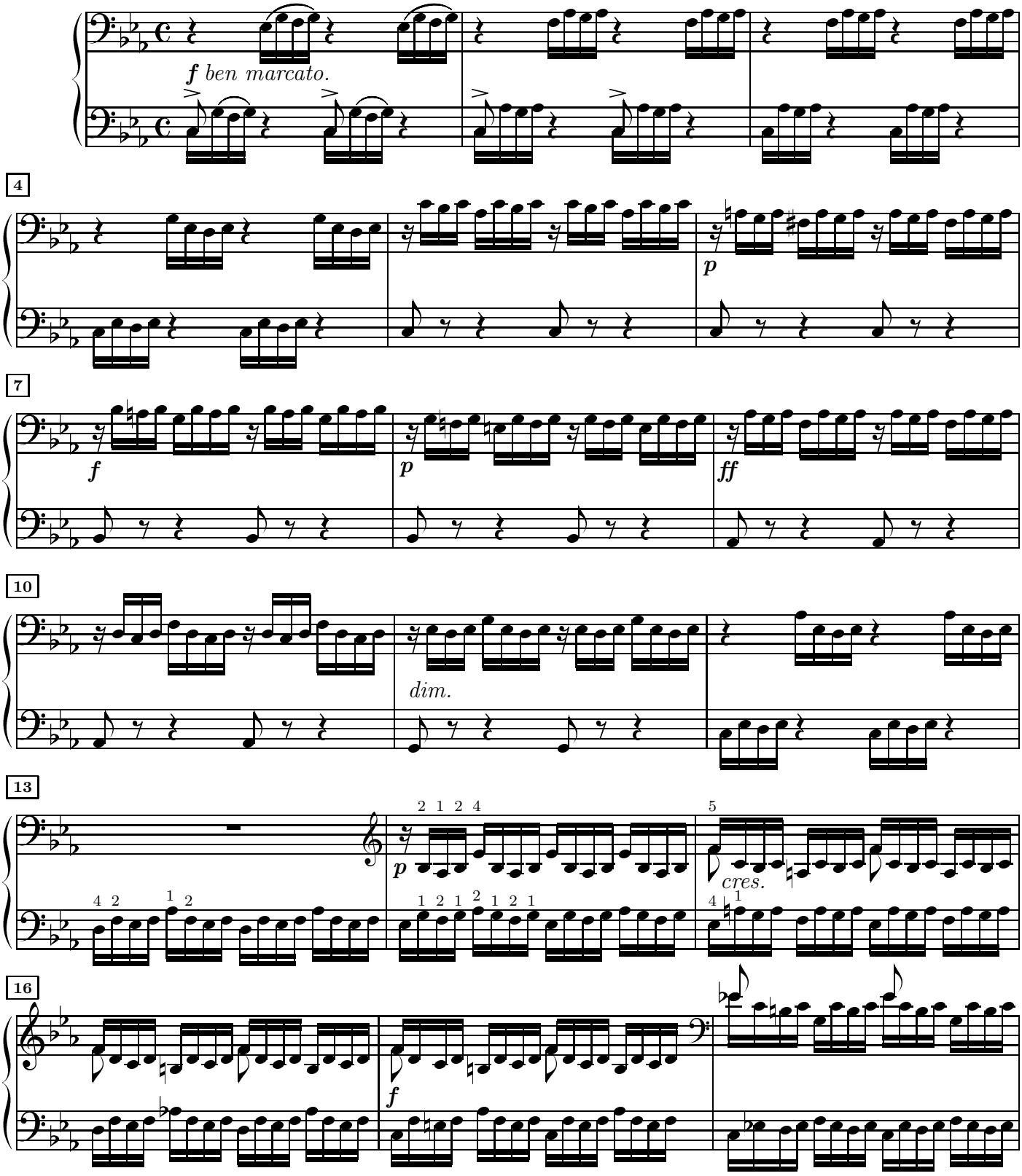

15
18
tr
20
22
p
25
rall.
cres.
ff

2.e en ut mineur

Prélude

Allegro moderato.

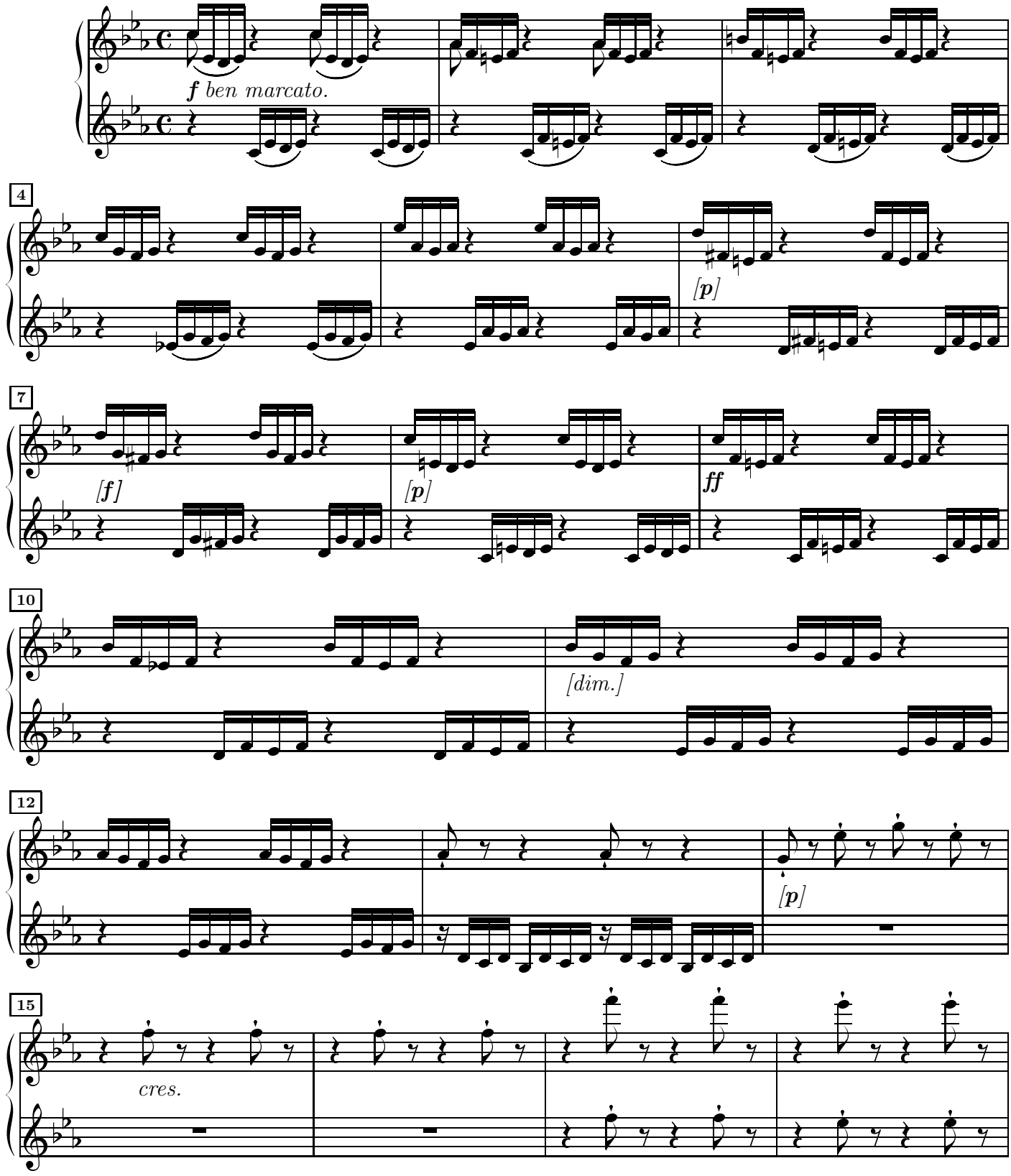
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

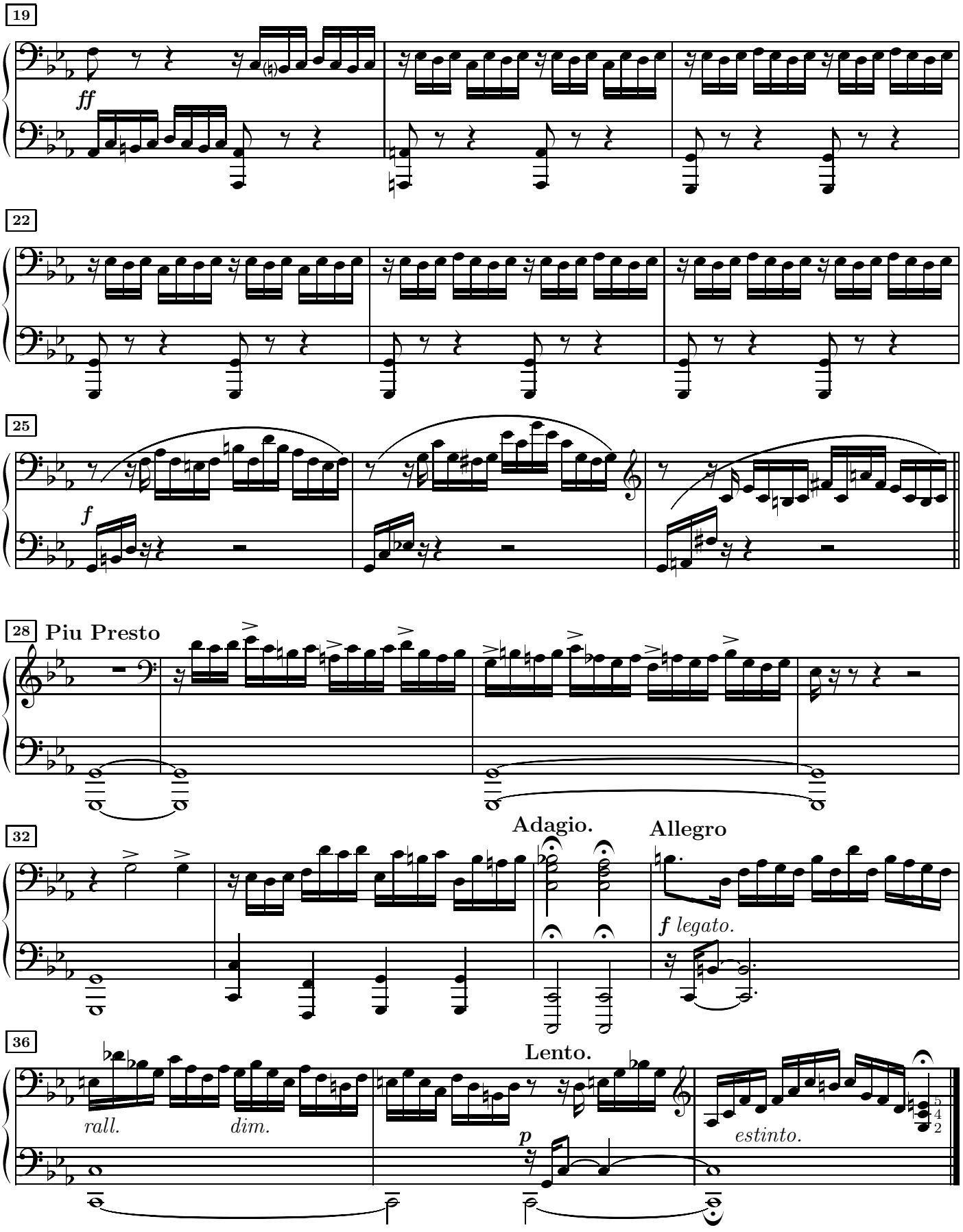


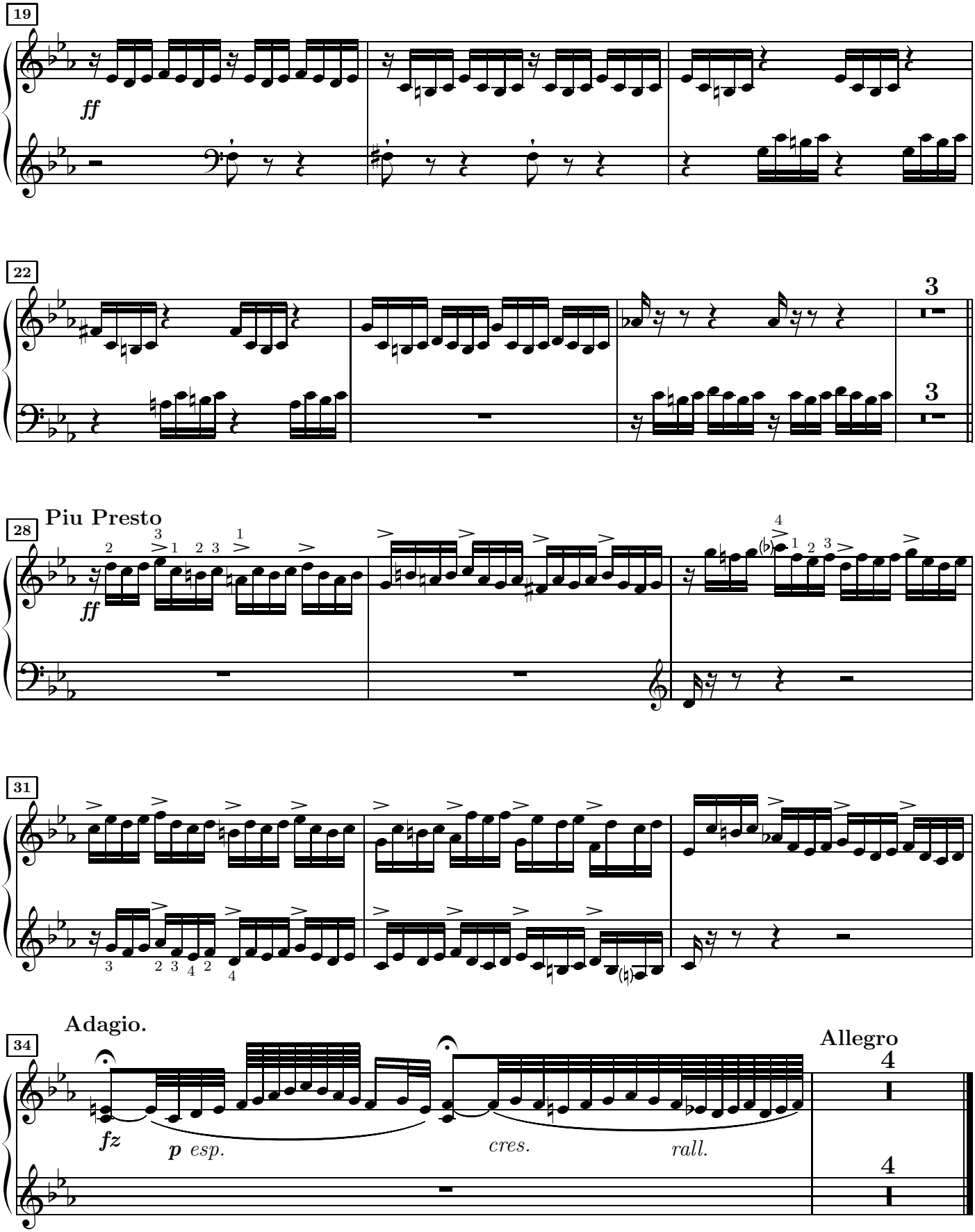
2.e en ut mineur

Prélude
Allegro moderato.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

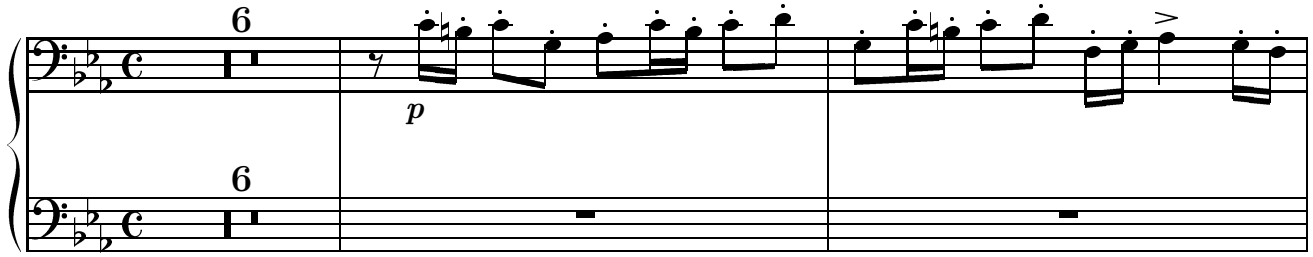


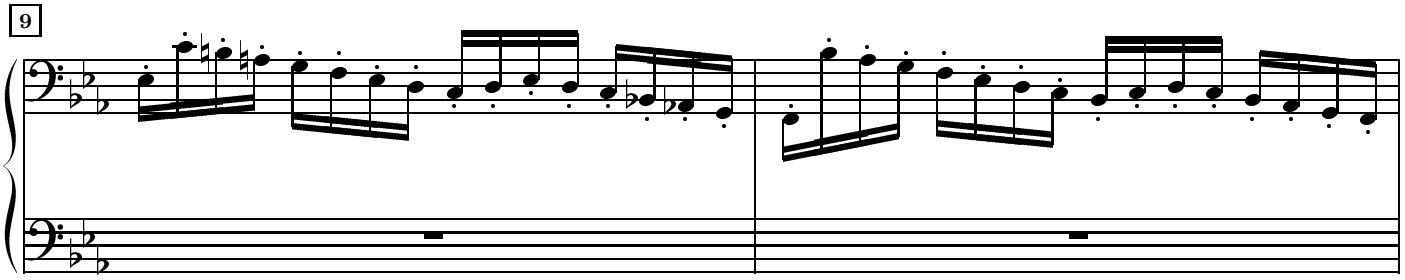

19
ff
22
25
f
28
Piu Presto
32
Adagio.
Allegro
f legato.
36
Lento.
rall.
dim.
p
estinto.

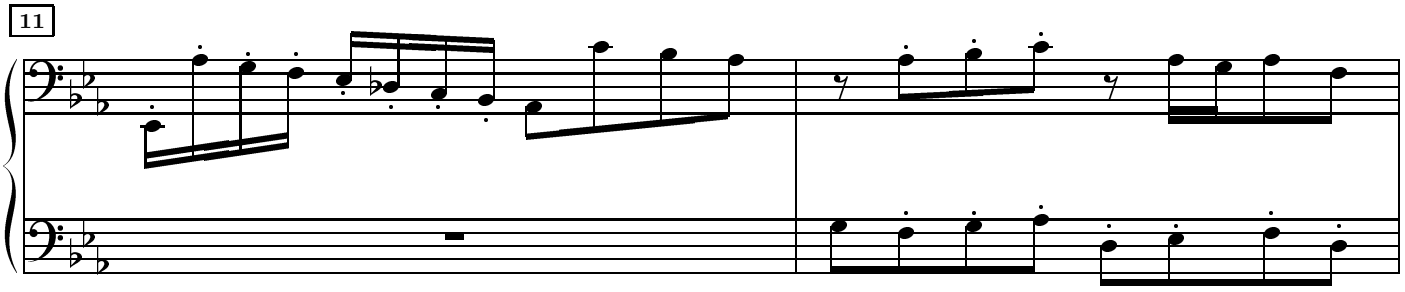

19
ff
22
3
3
28
Piu Presto
ff
31
34
Adagio.
fz
p esp.
cres.
rall.
Allegro
4
4

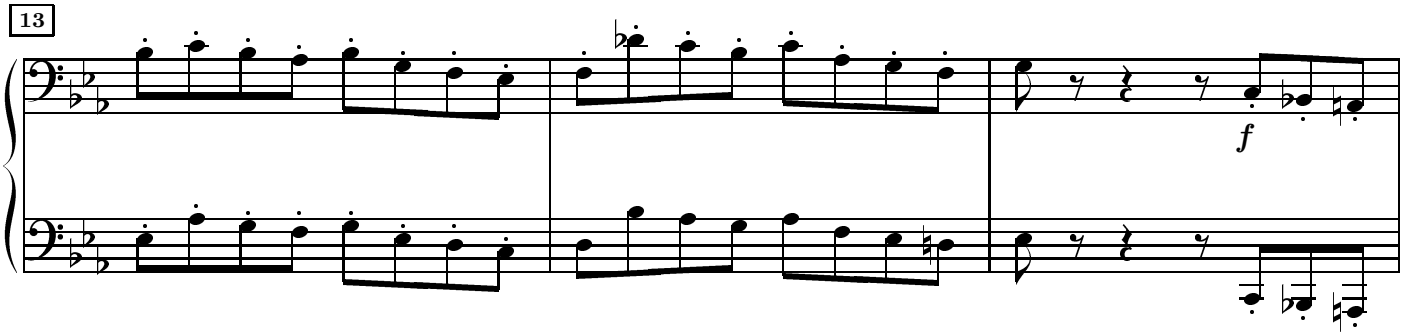
Fugue à 3 voix

Allegretto moderato.



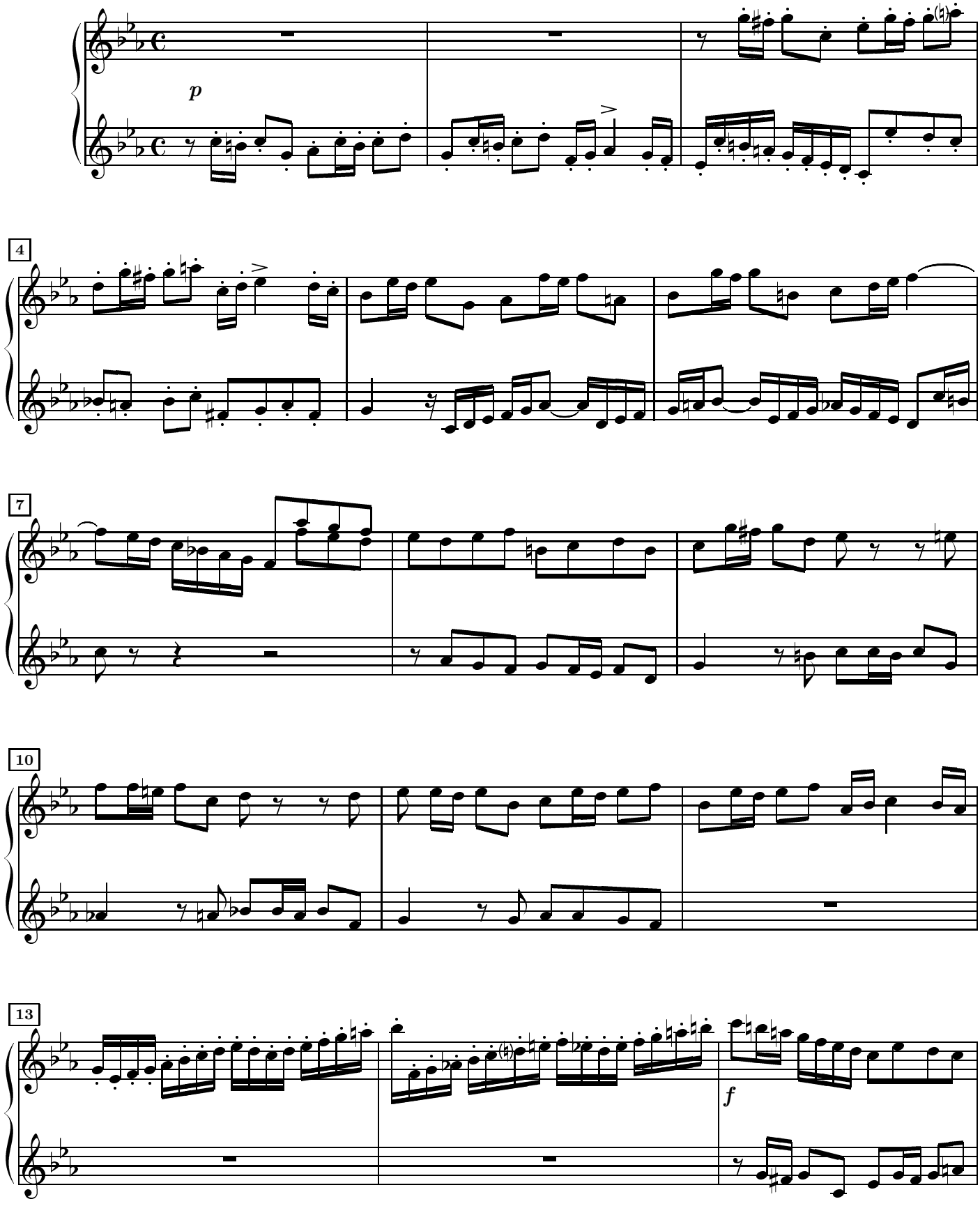


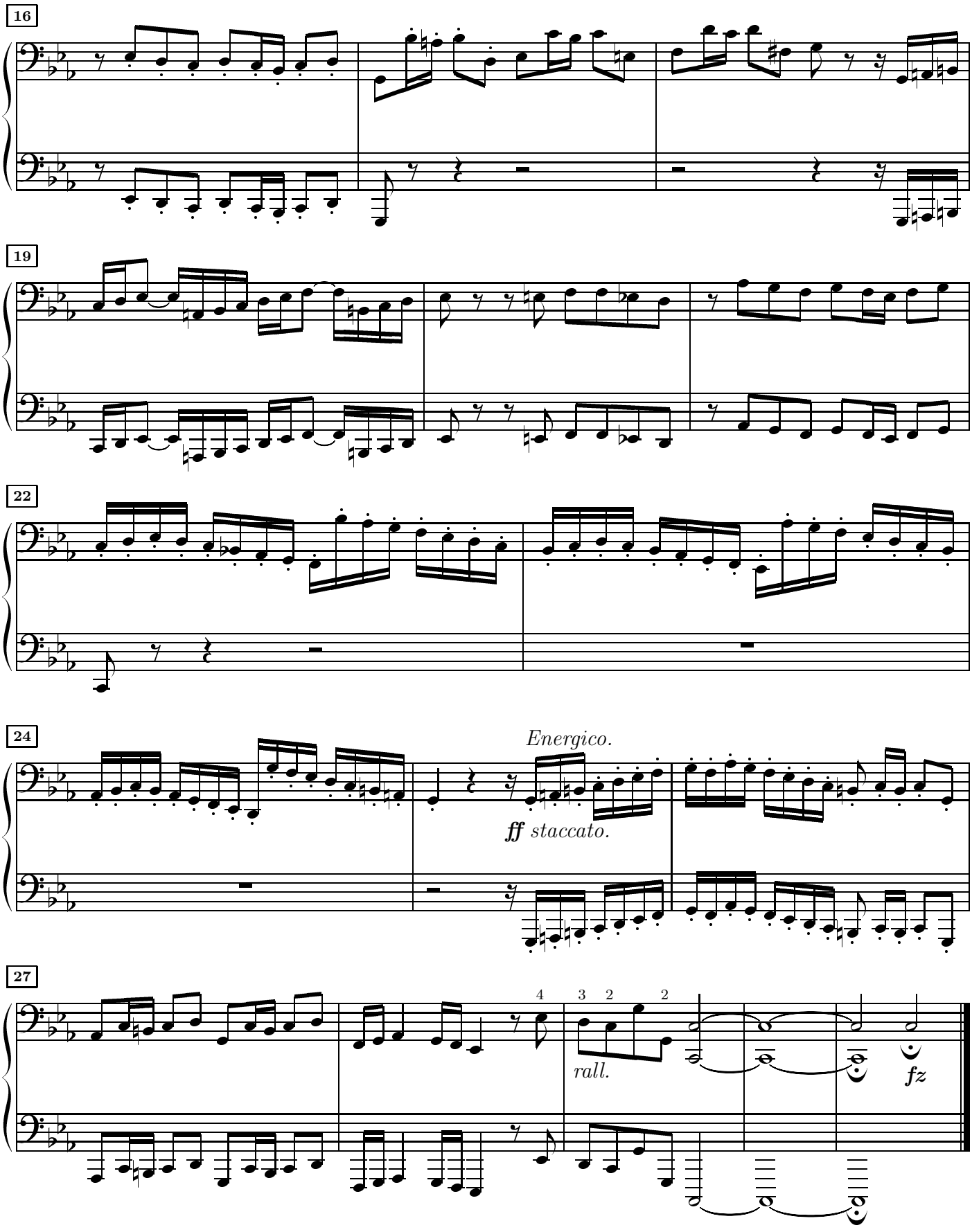


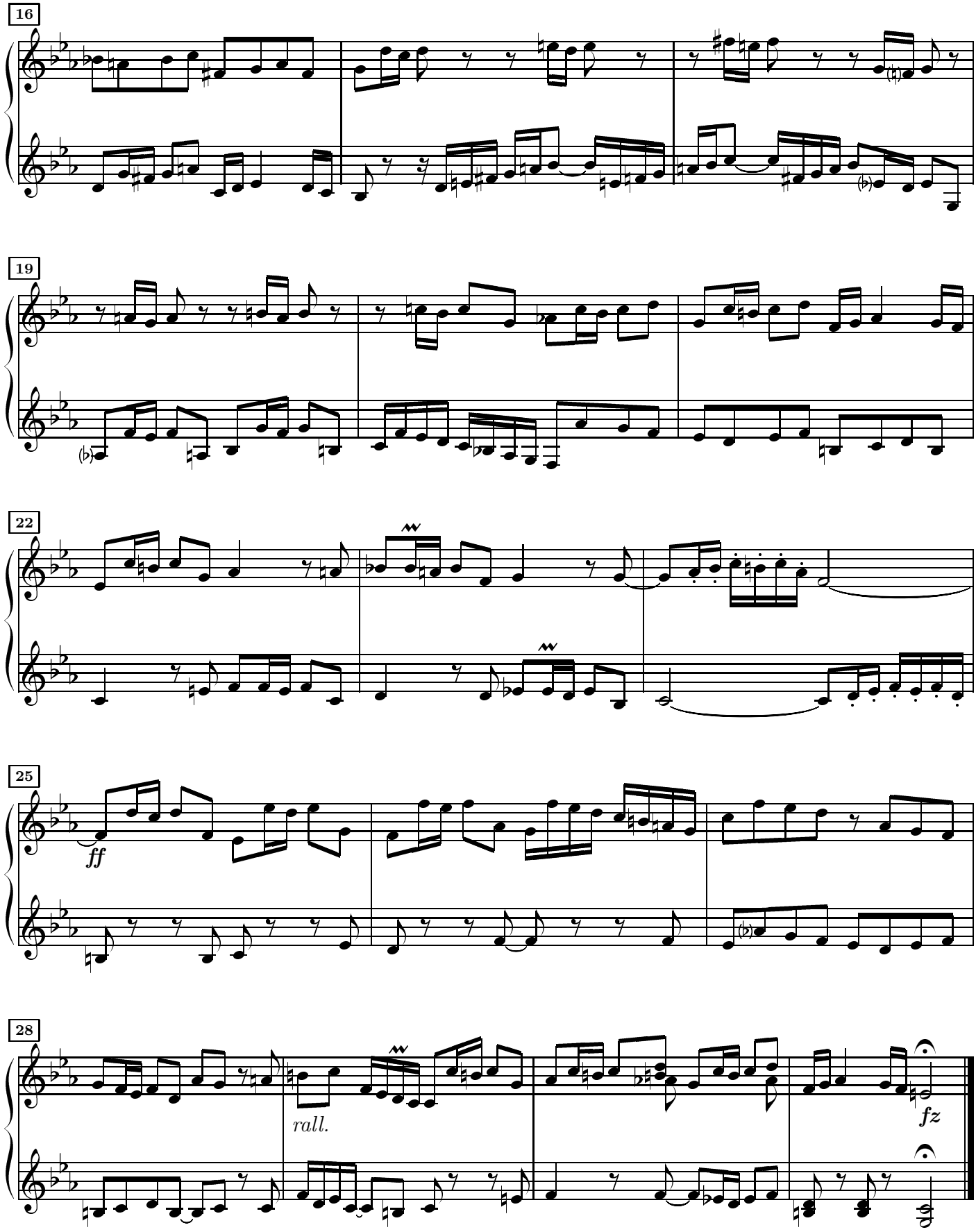


Fugue à 3 voix

Allegretto moderato.



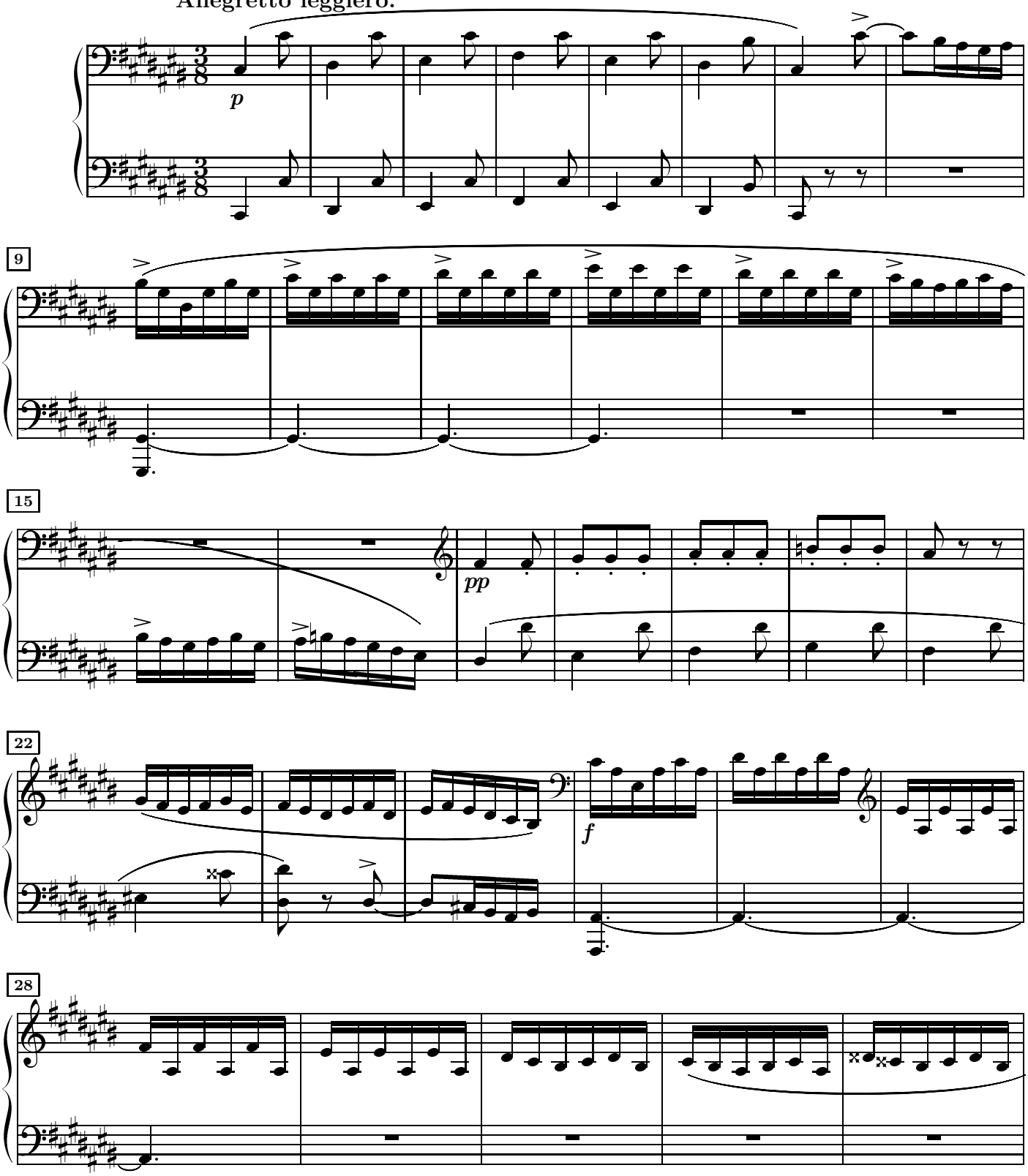

16
19
22
24
Energico.
ff staccato.
27
rall.
fz


16
19
22
25
ff
28
rall.
fz

3.e en ut dièse majeur

Prélude
Allegretto leggiero.

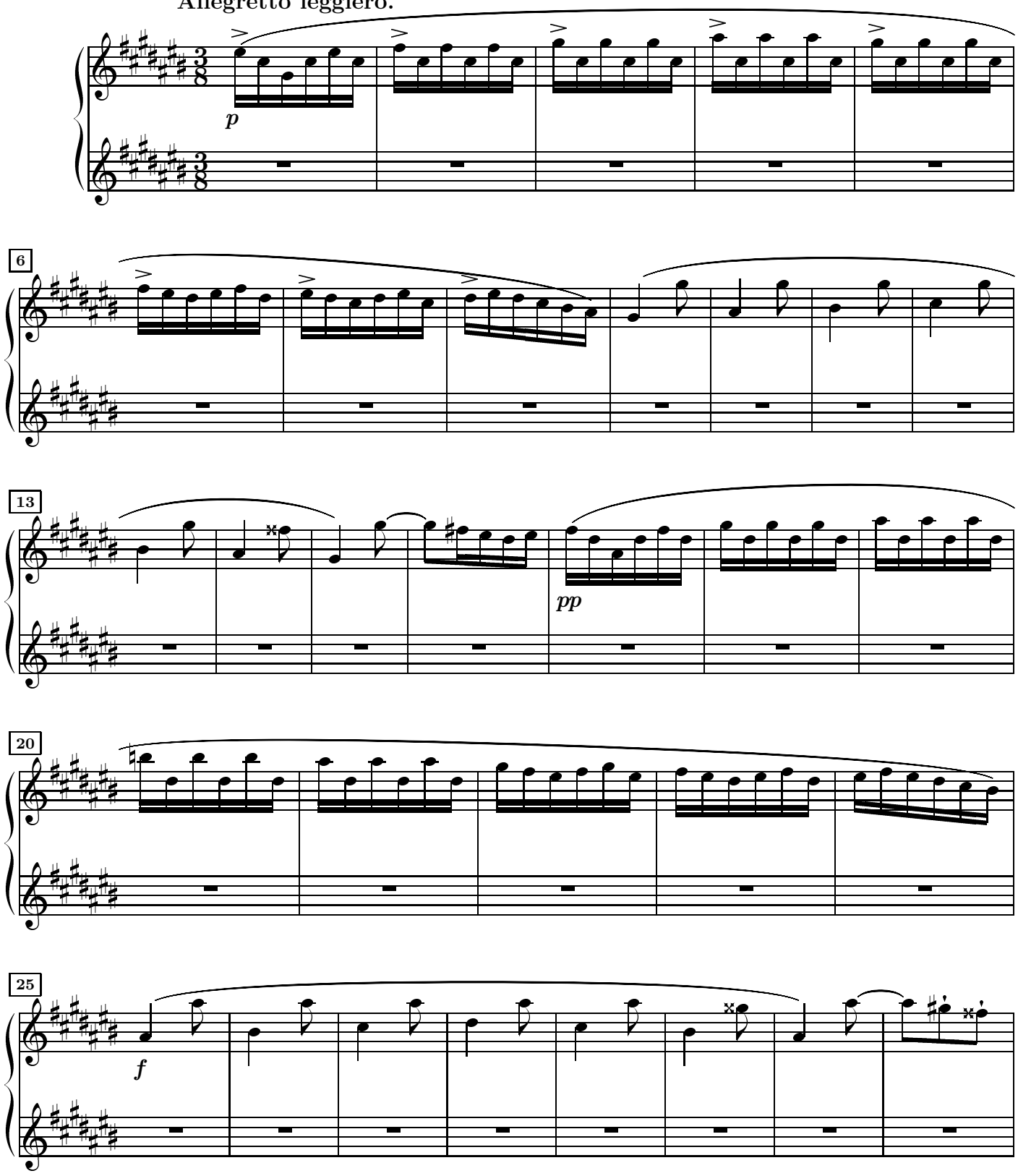
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

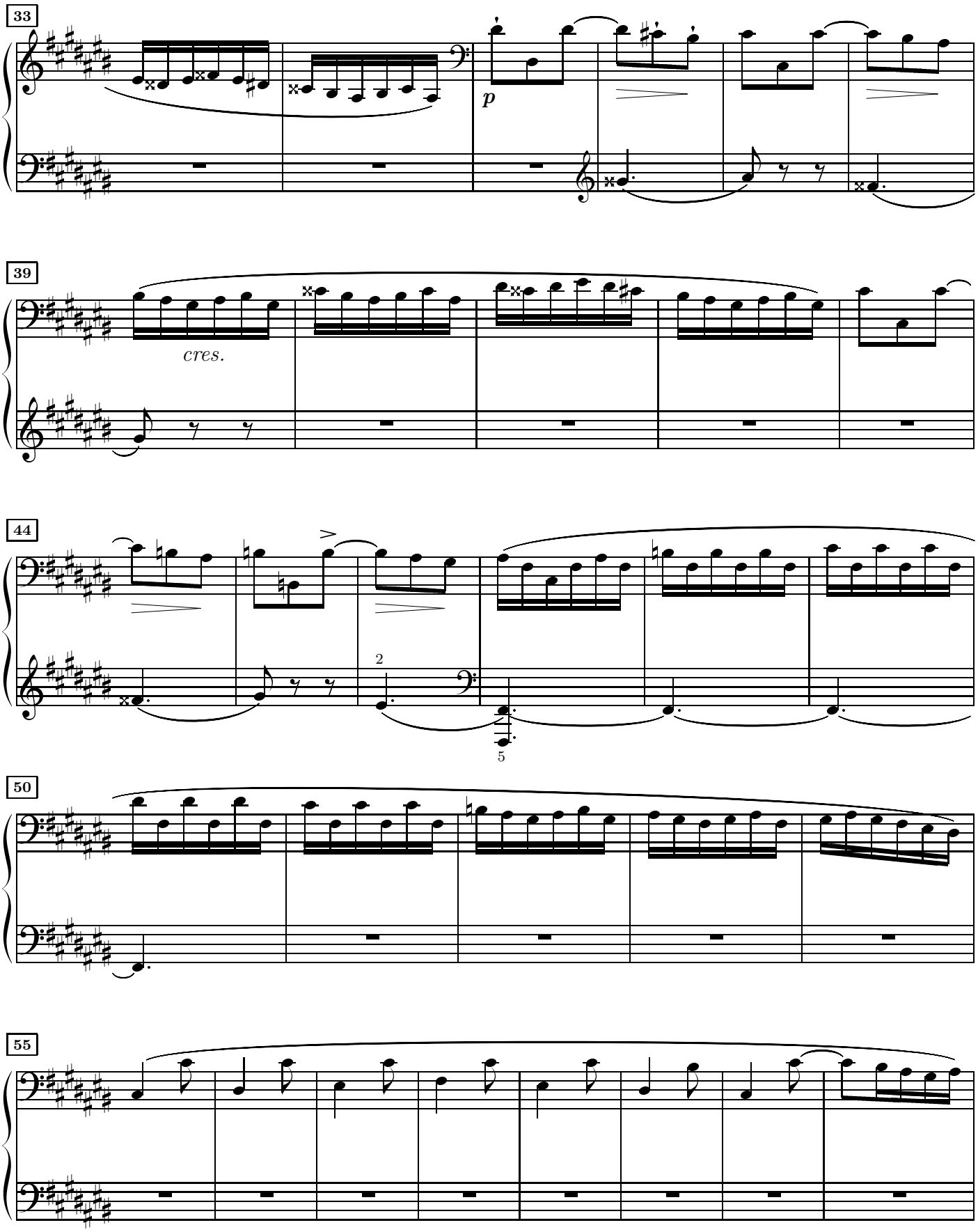


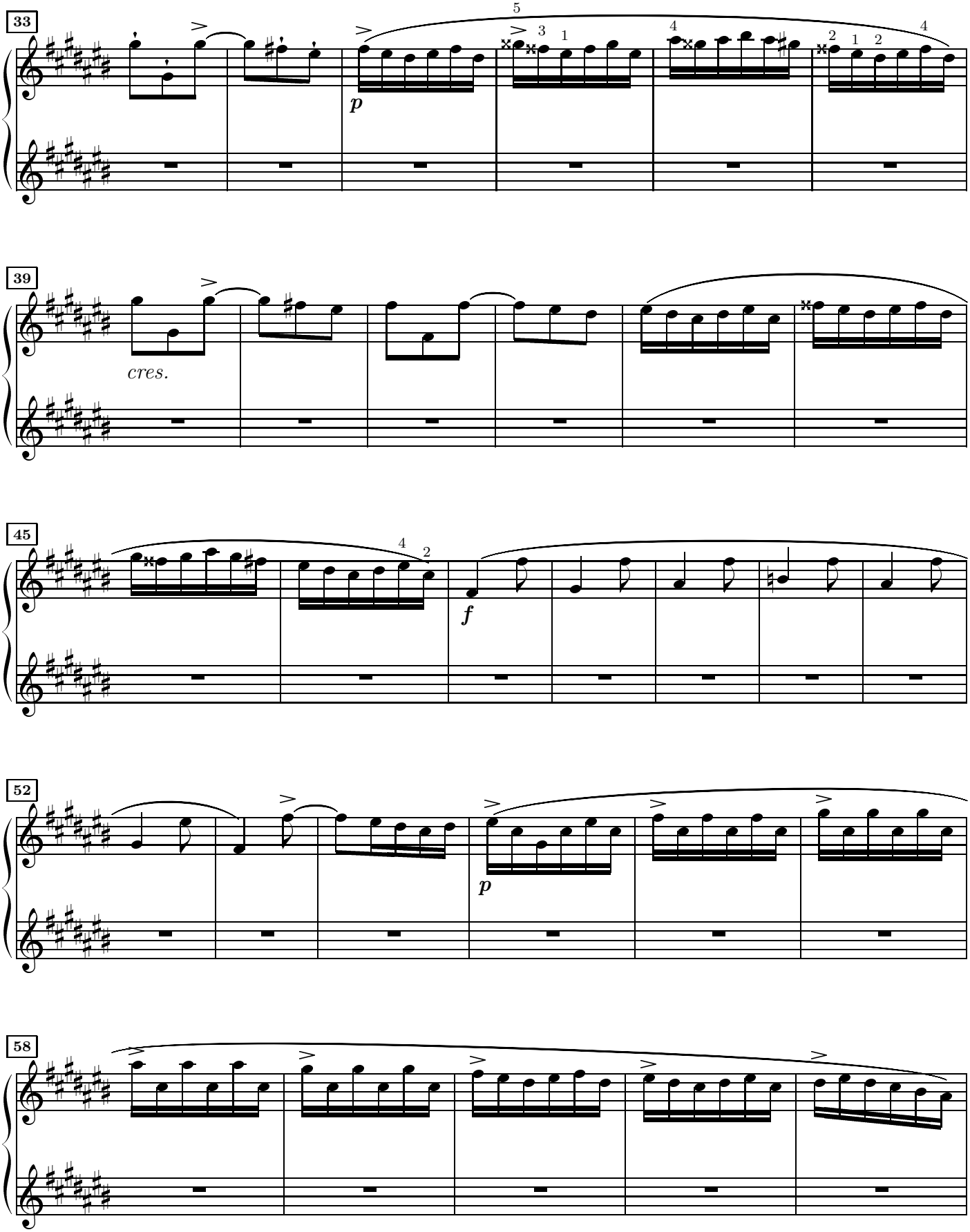
3.e en ut dièse majeur

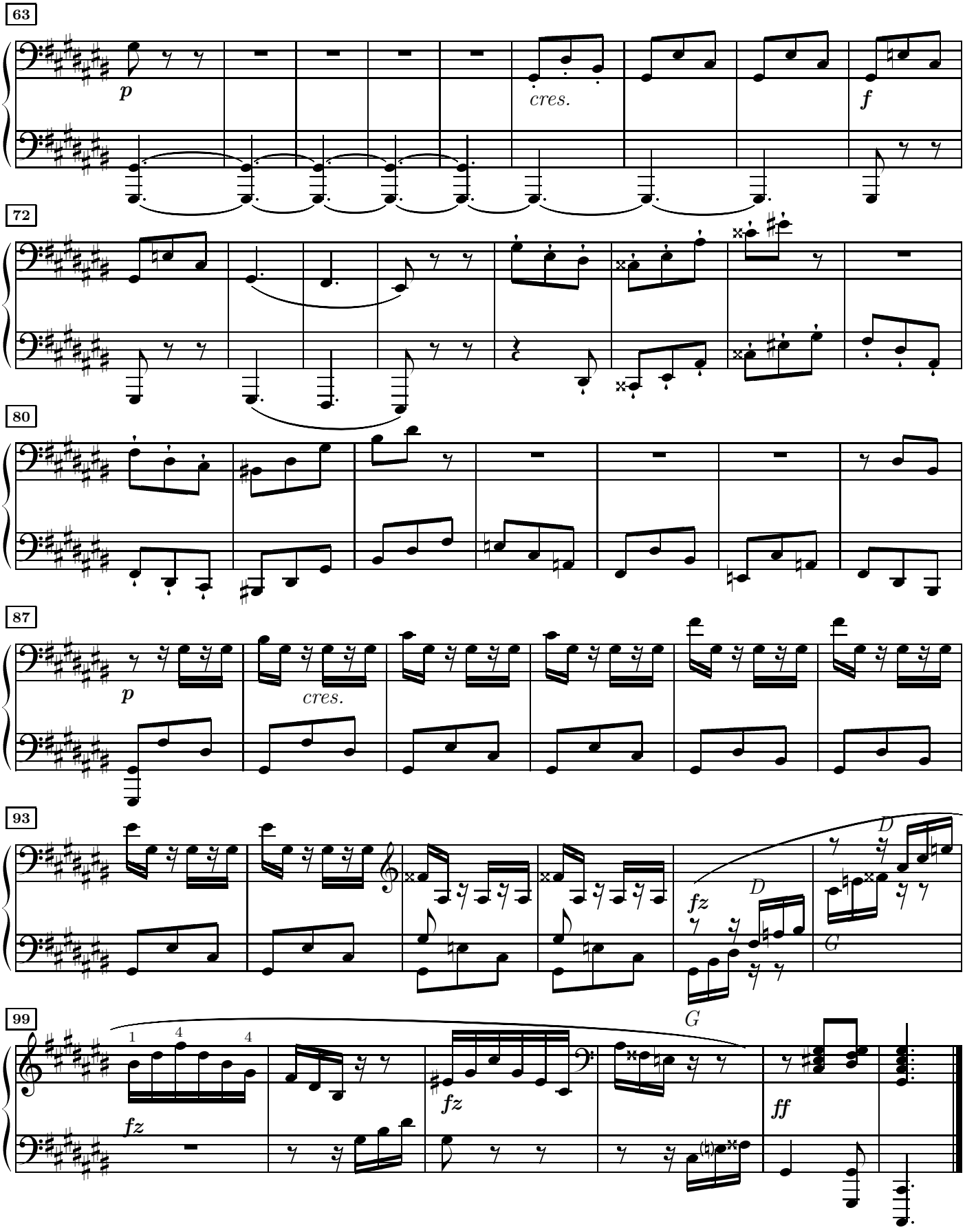
Prélude
Allegretto leggiero.

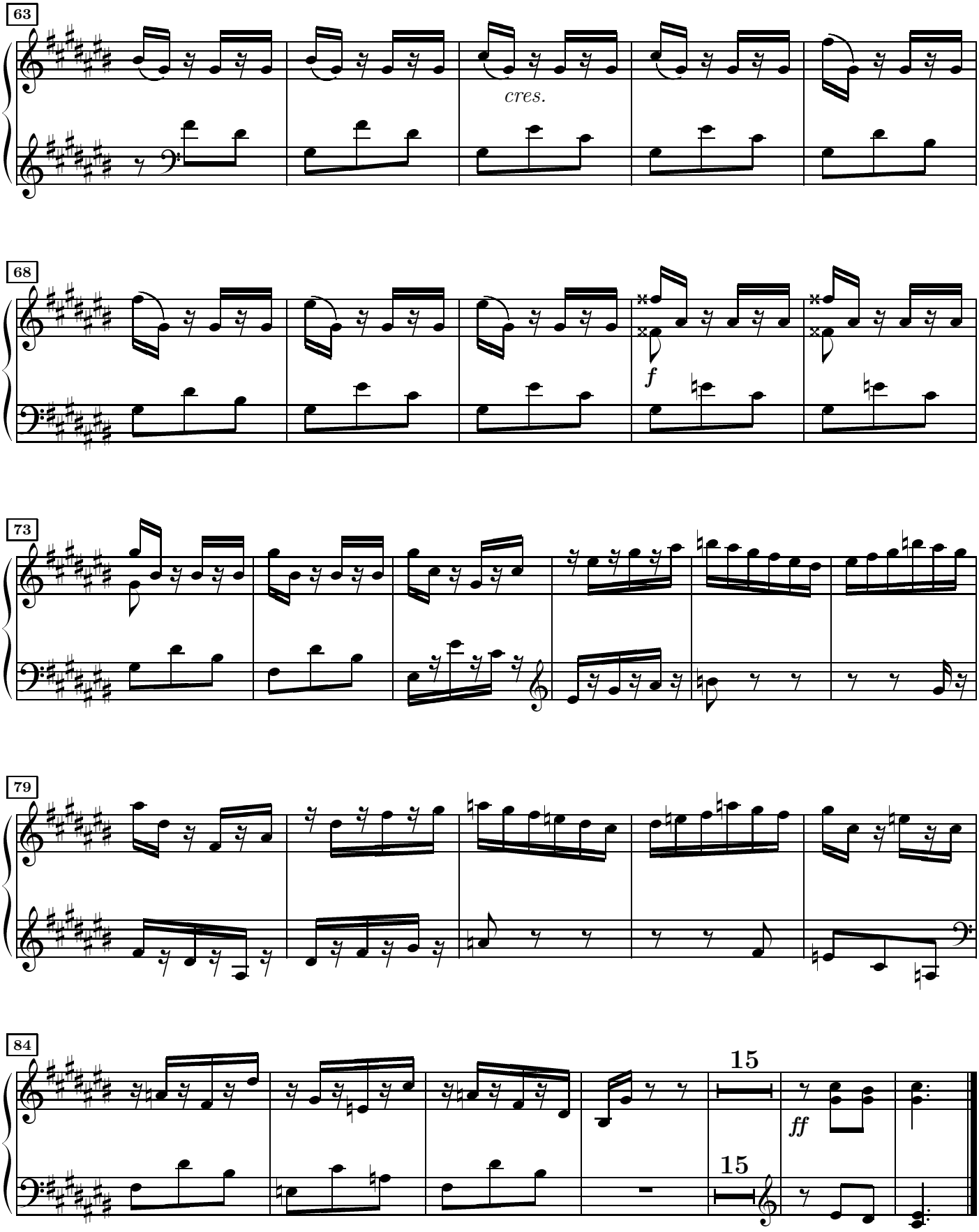
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini




33
p
39
cres.
44
2
5
50
55

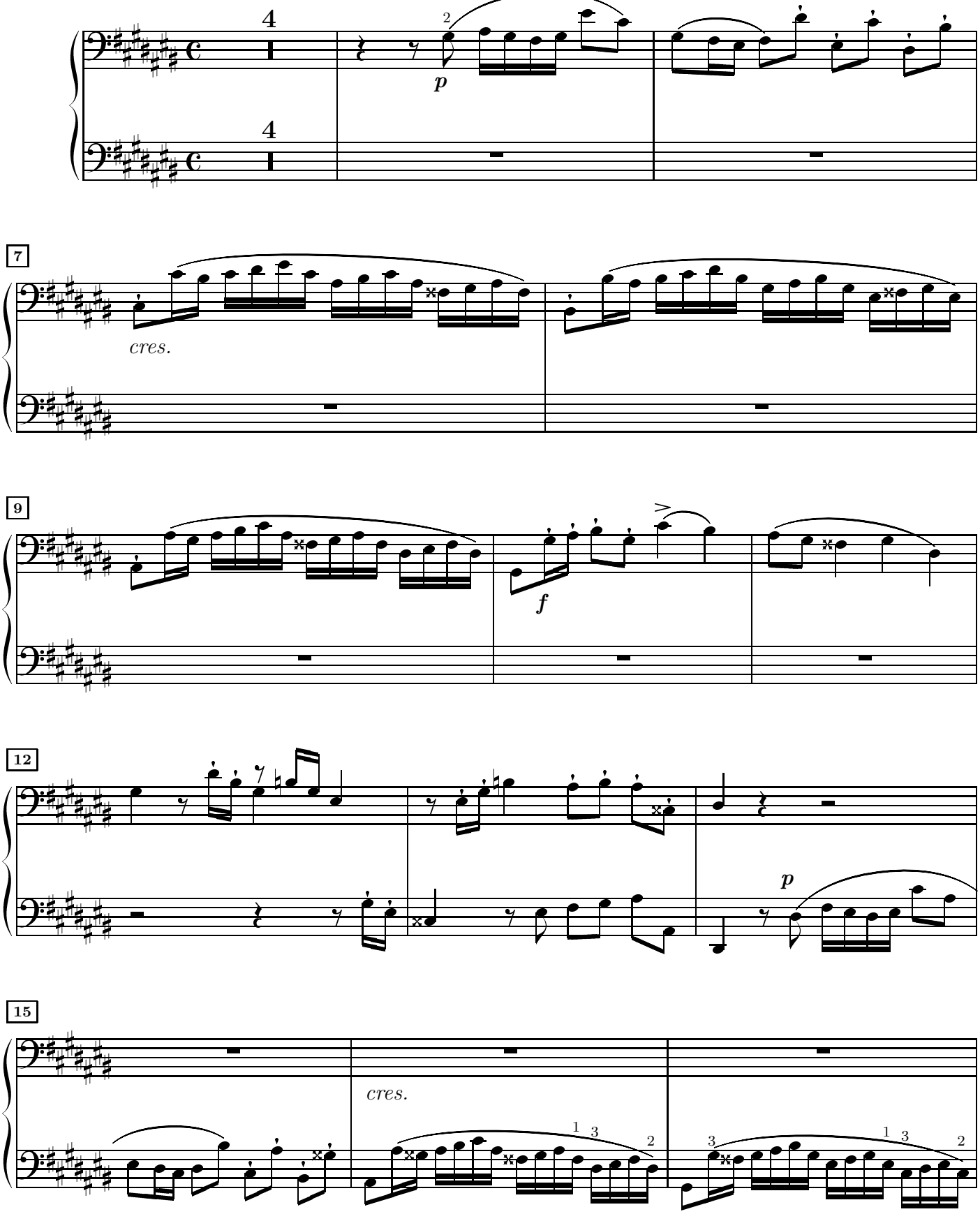

33
p
39
cres.
45
f
52
p
58


63
p
cres.
f
72
80
87
p
cres.
93
fz
D
G
99
fz
fz
ff


63
cres.
68
f
73
79
84
15
15
ff

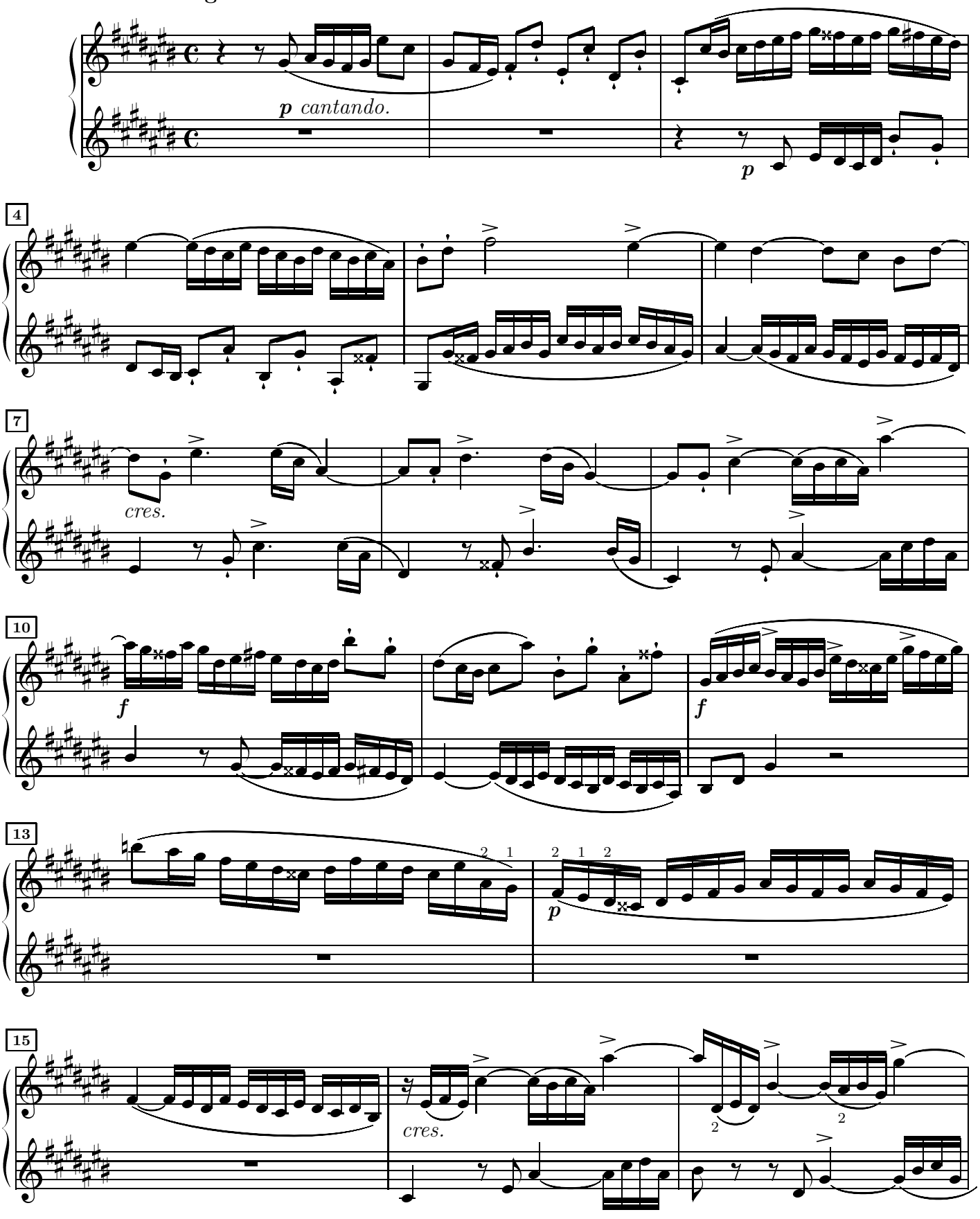
Fugue à 3 voix

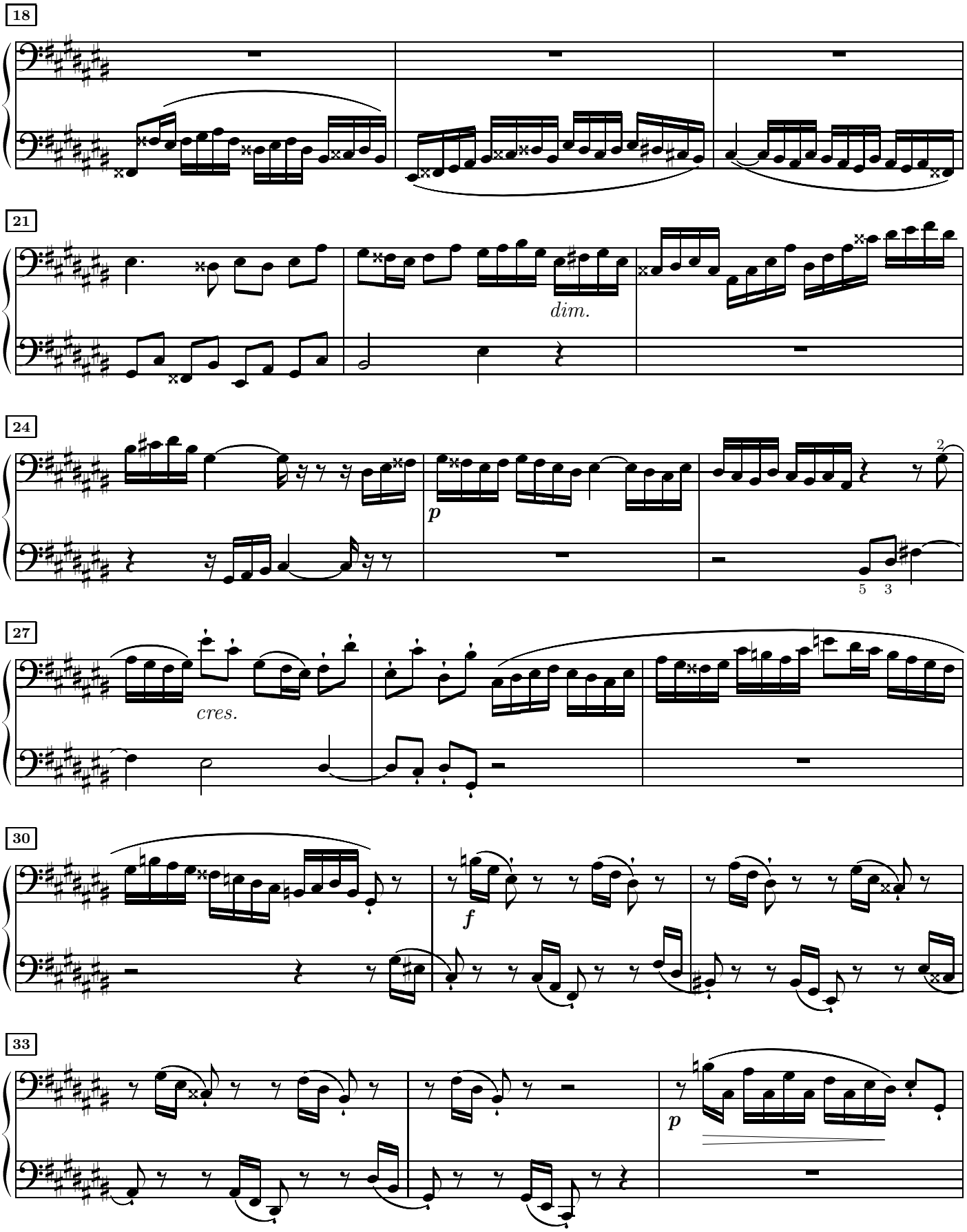
Allegro moderato.

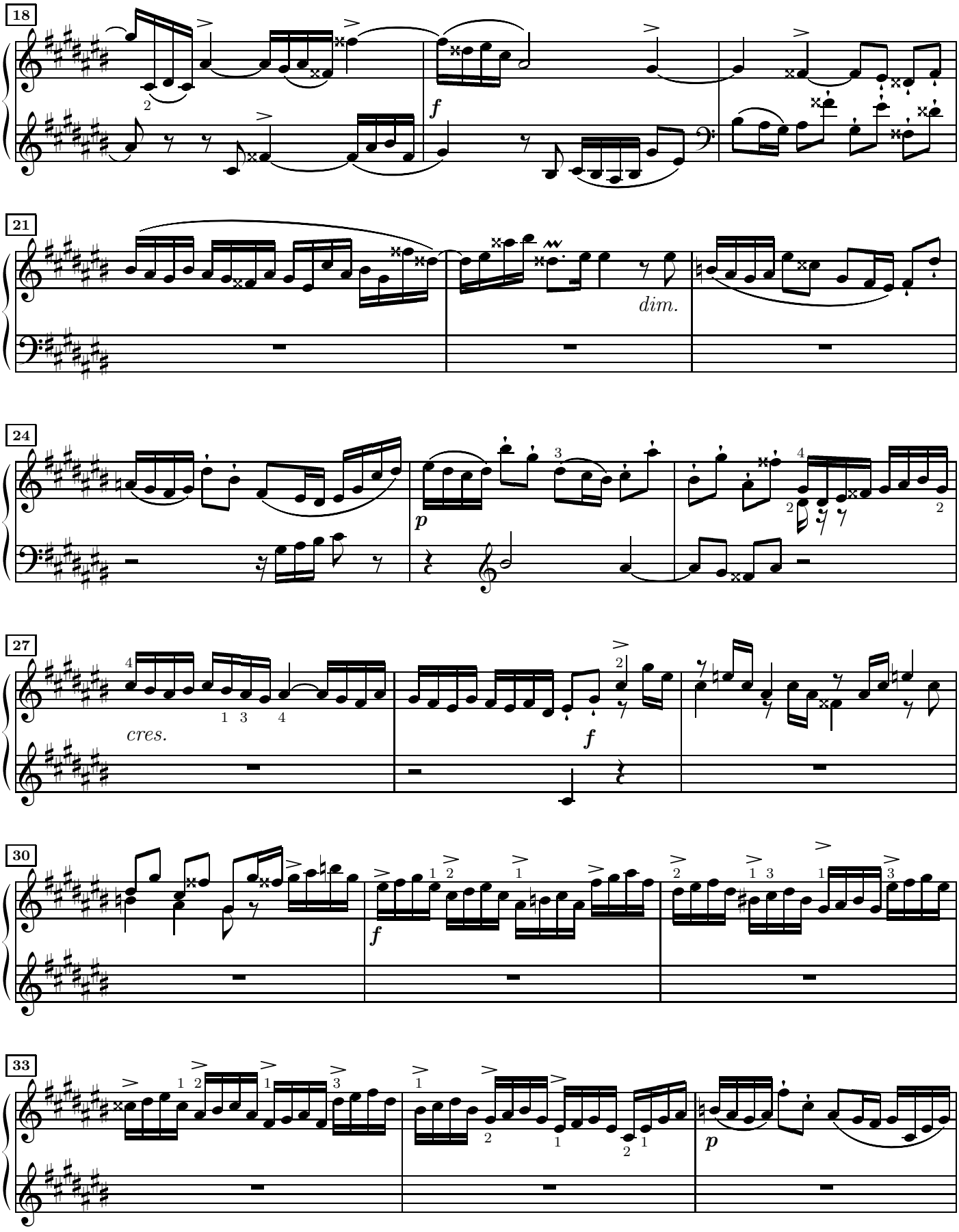


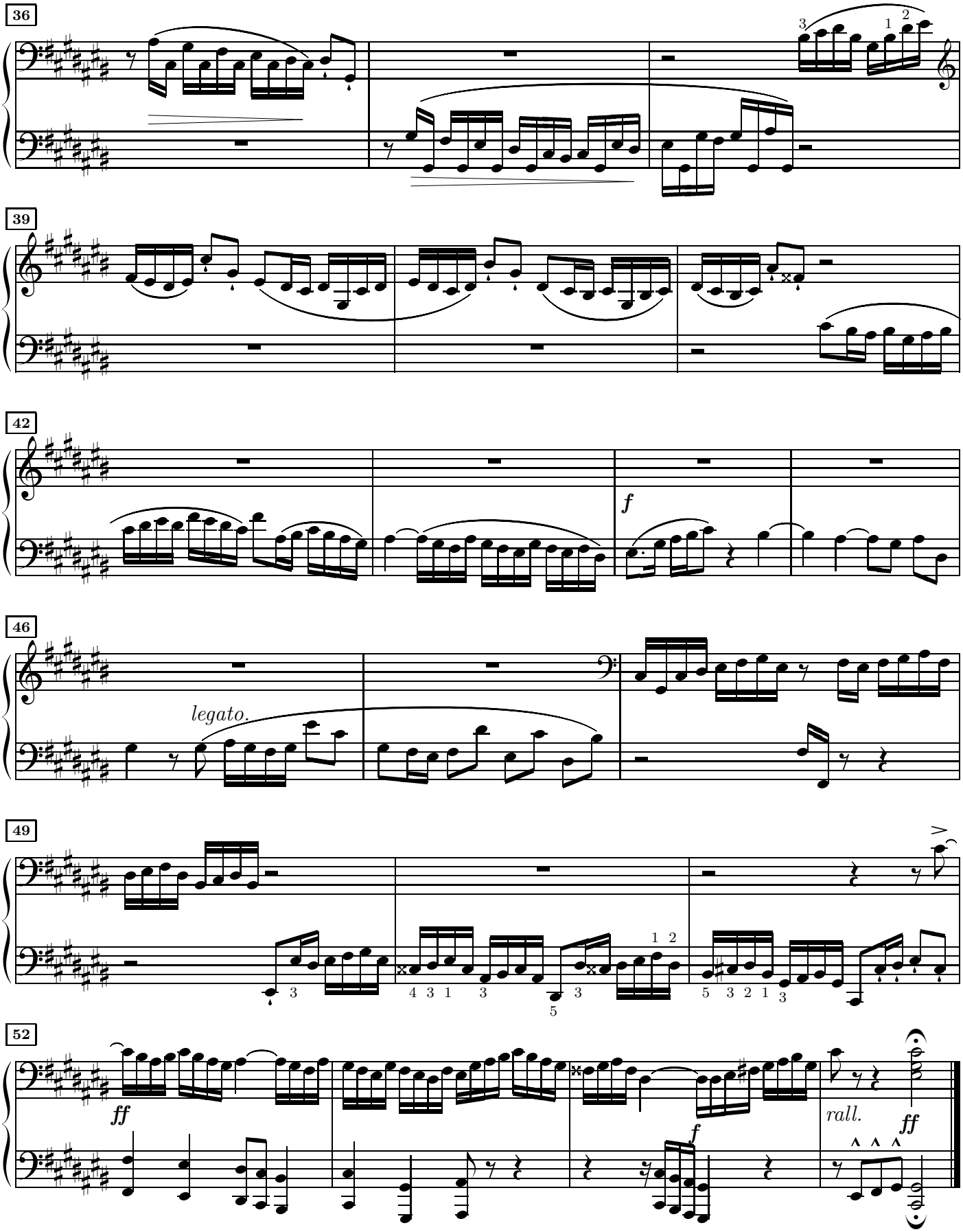
Fugue à 3 voix

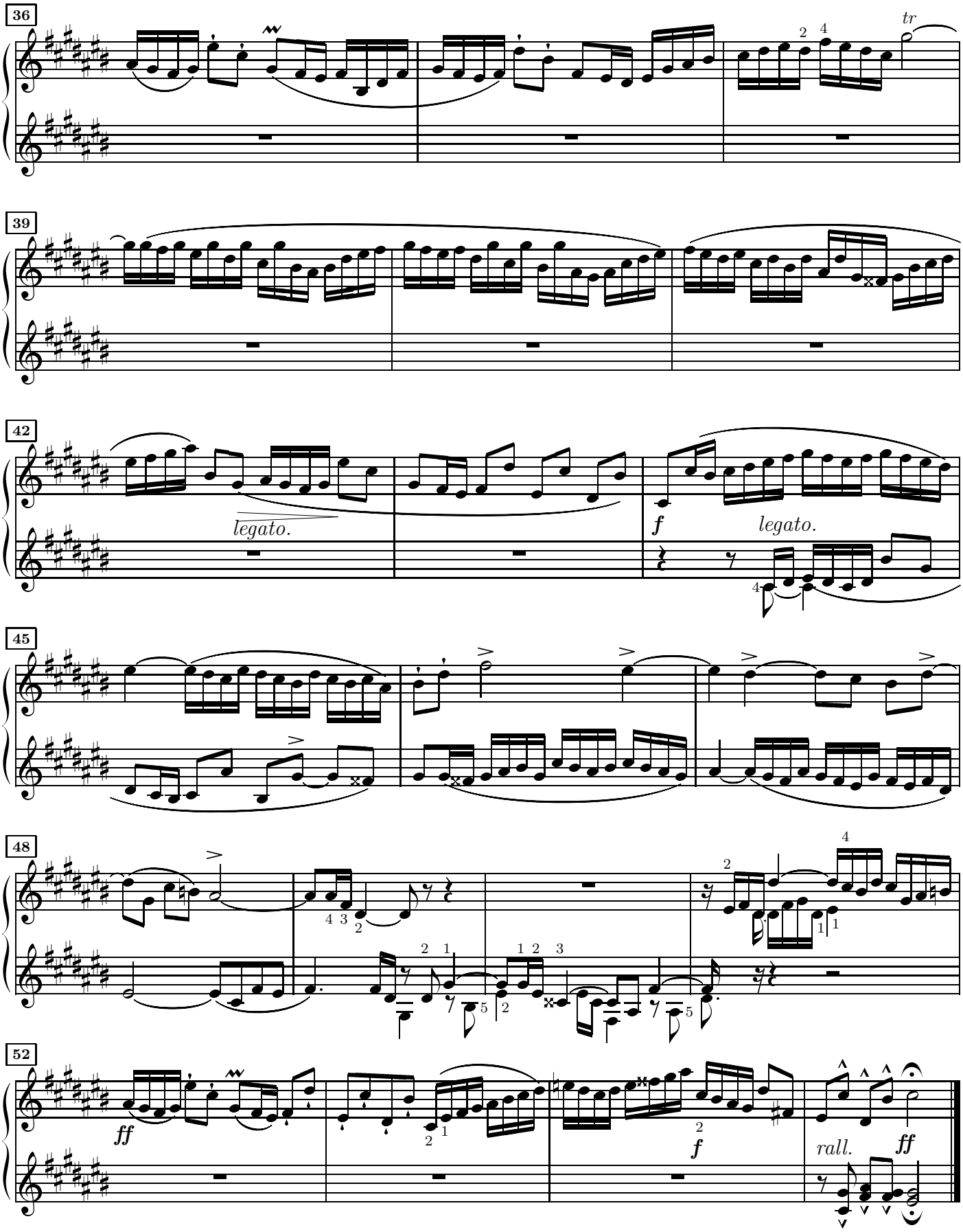
Allegro moderato.




18
21
dim.
24
p
2
5 3
27
cres.
30
f
33
p


18
f
21
dim.
24
p
27
cres.
f
30
f
33
p

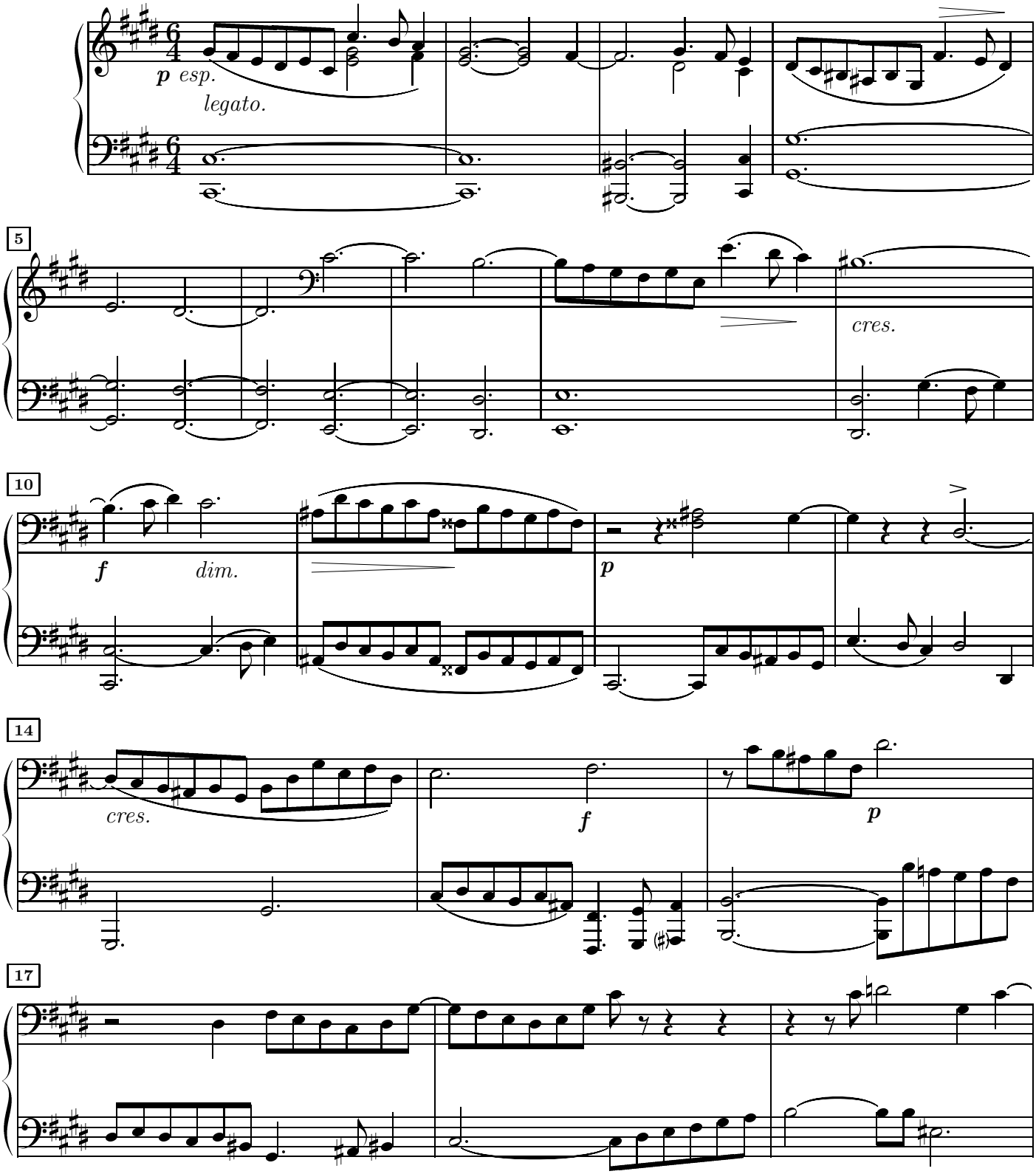

36
39
42
f
46
legato.
49
52
ff
f
rall.
ff


36
tr
39
42
legato.
f
legato.
45
48
52
ff
f
rall.
ff

4.e en ut dièse mineur

Prélude
Andante. sostenuto.

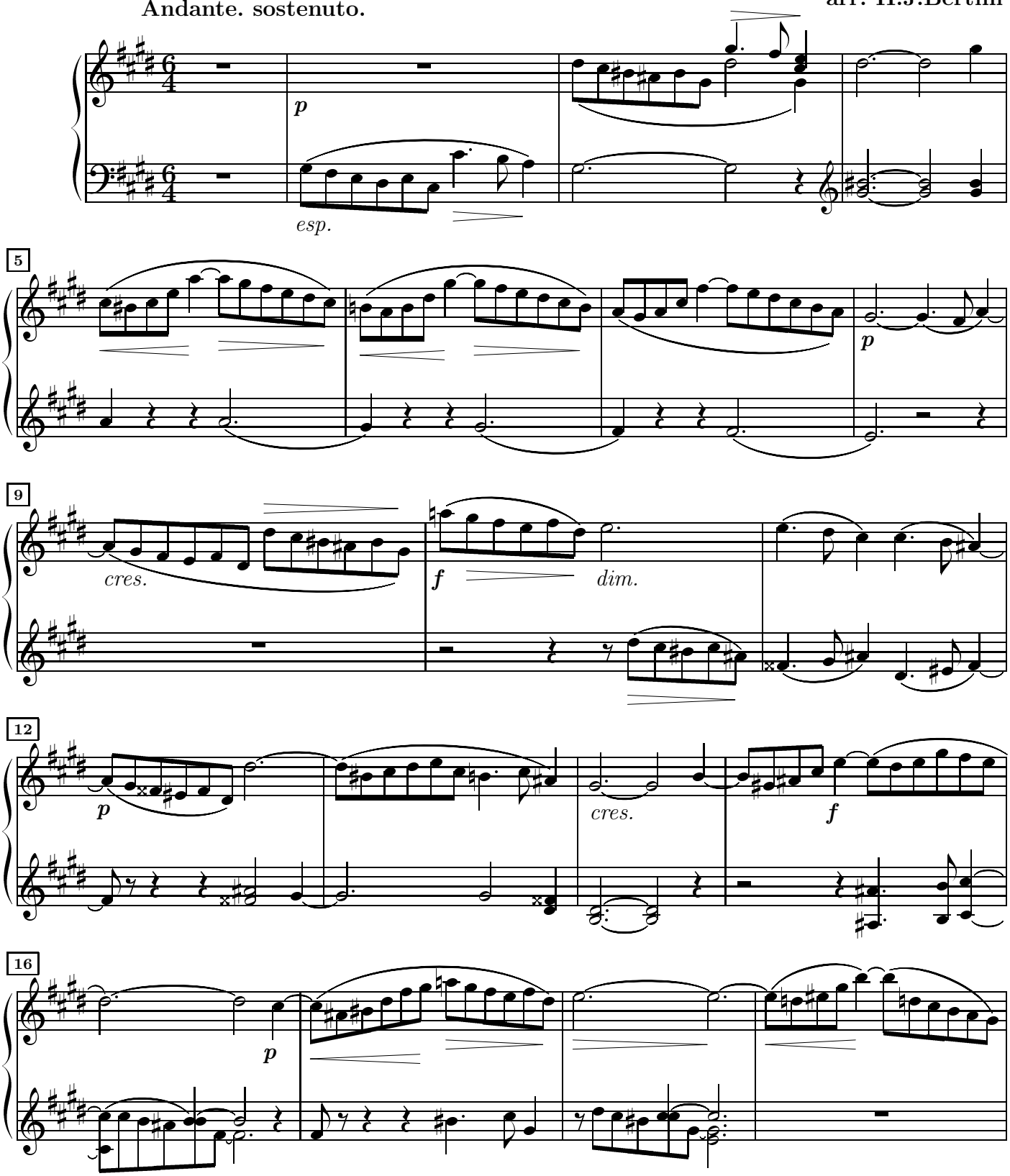
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

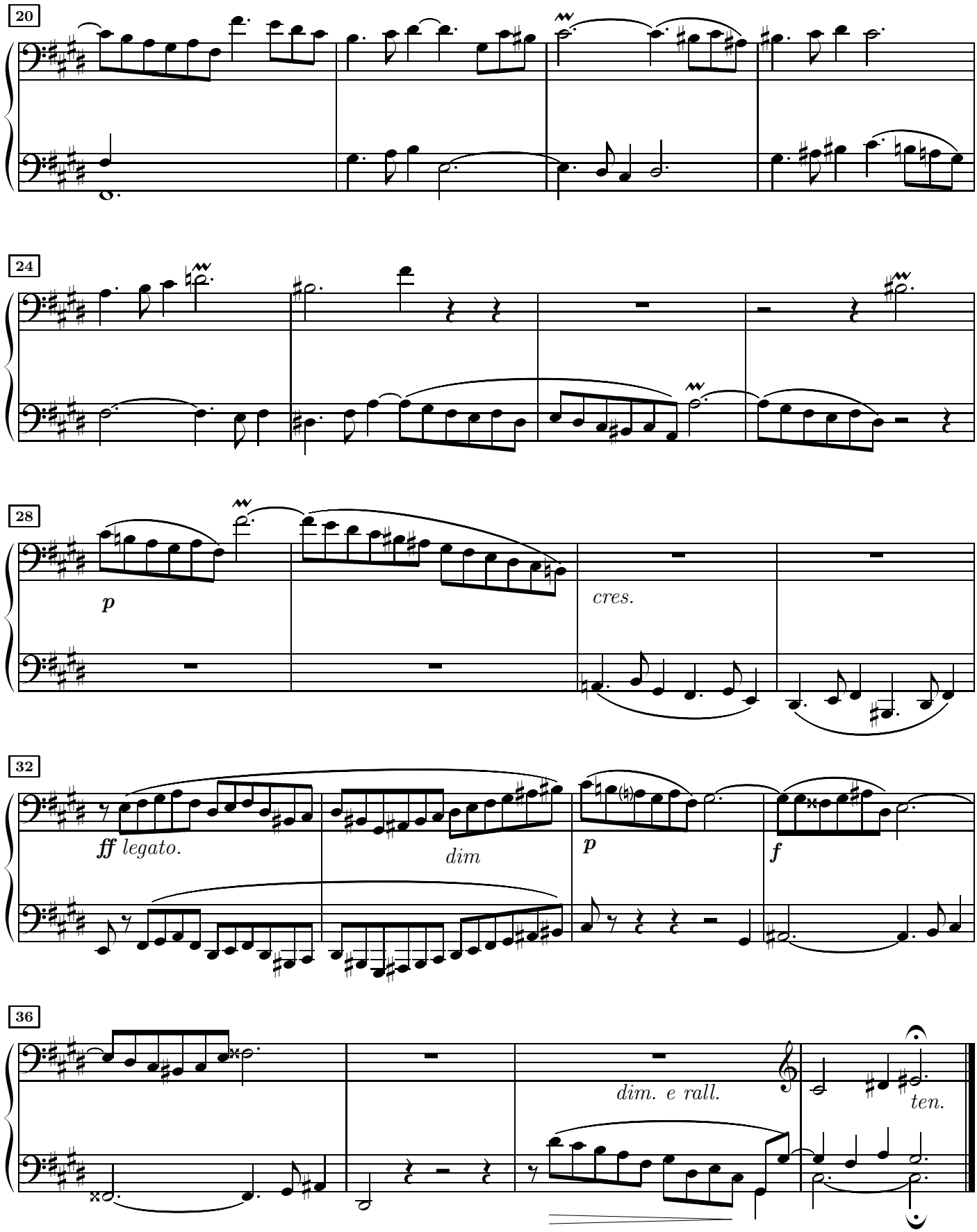


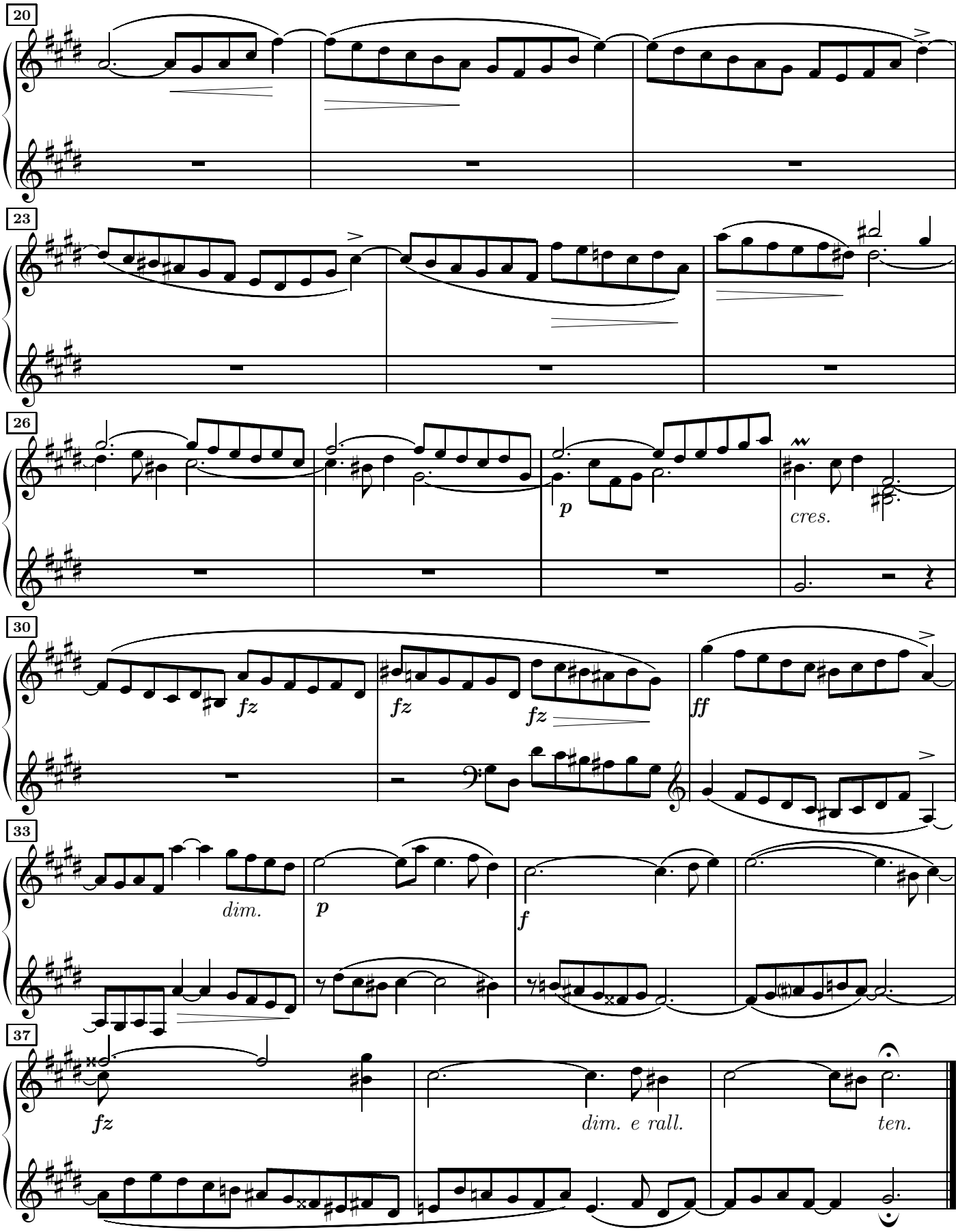
4.e en ut dièse mineur

Prélude
Andante. sostenuto.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

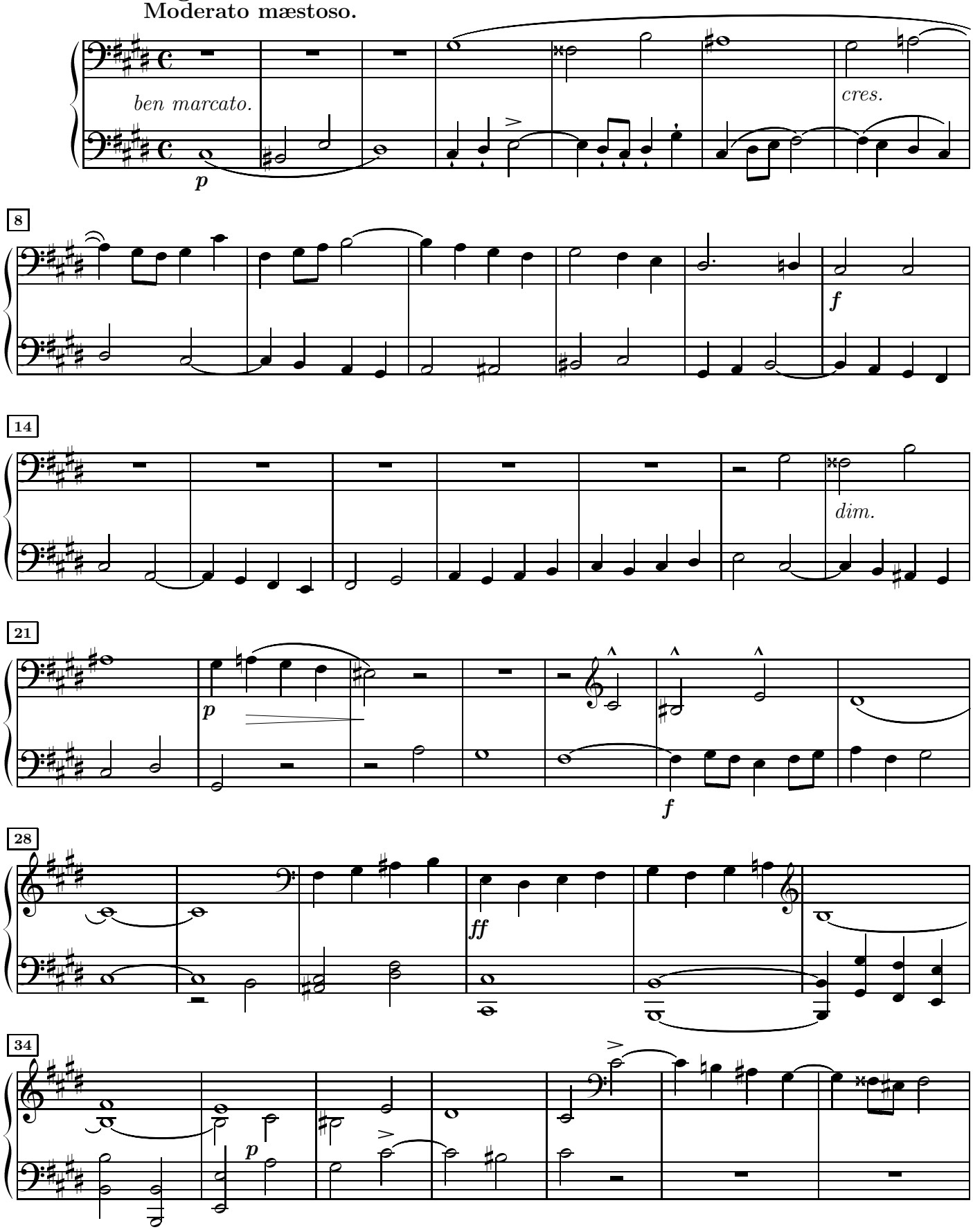



20
24
28
p
cres.
32
ff legato.
dim
p
f
36
dim. e rall.
ten.


20
23
26
p
cres.
30
fz
fz
fz
ff
33
dim.
p
f
37
fz
dim. e rall.
ten.

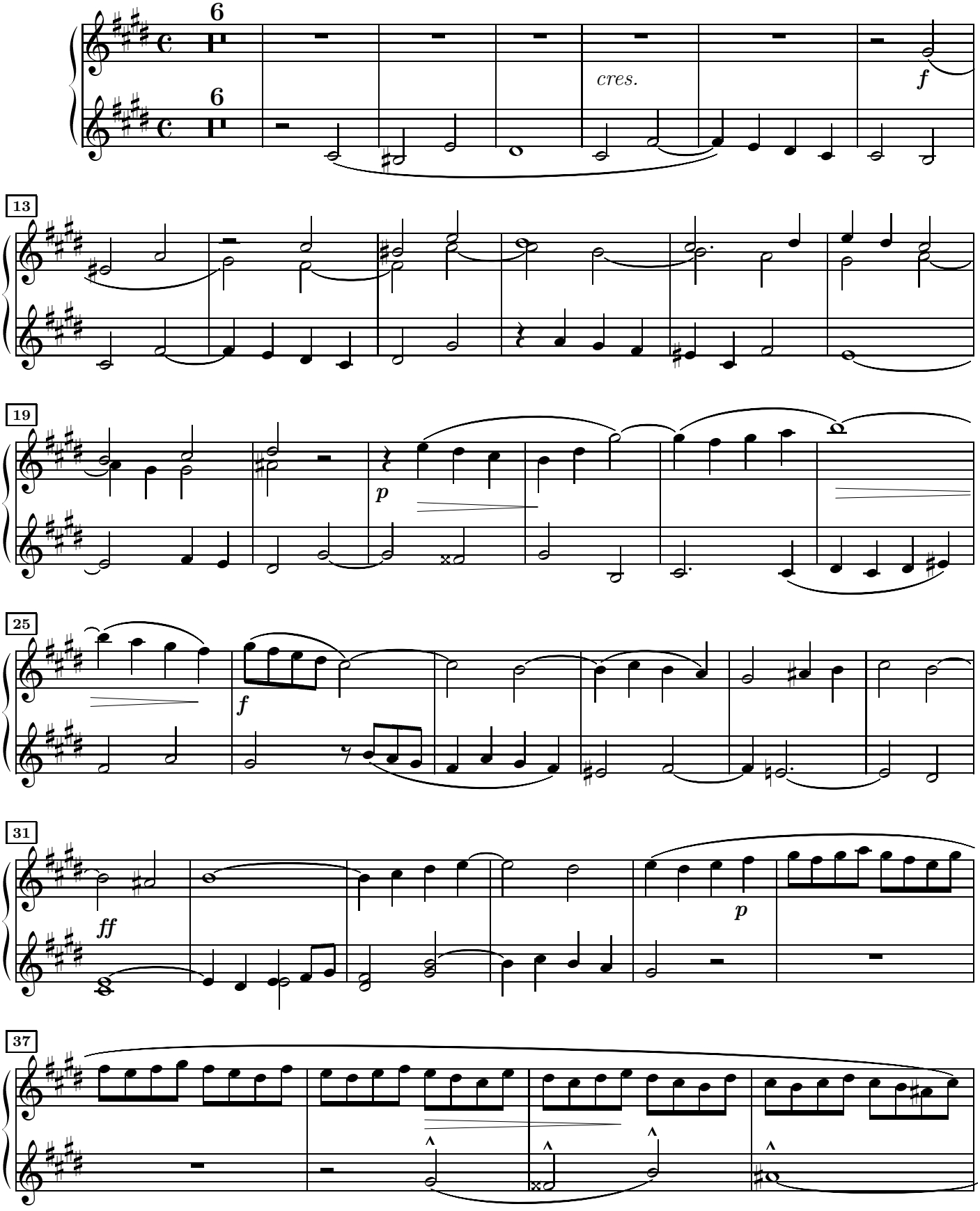
Fugue à 5 voix

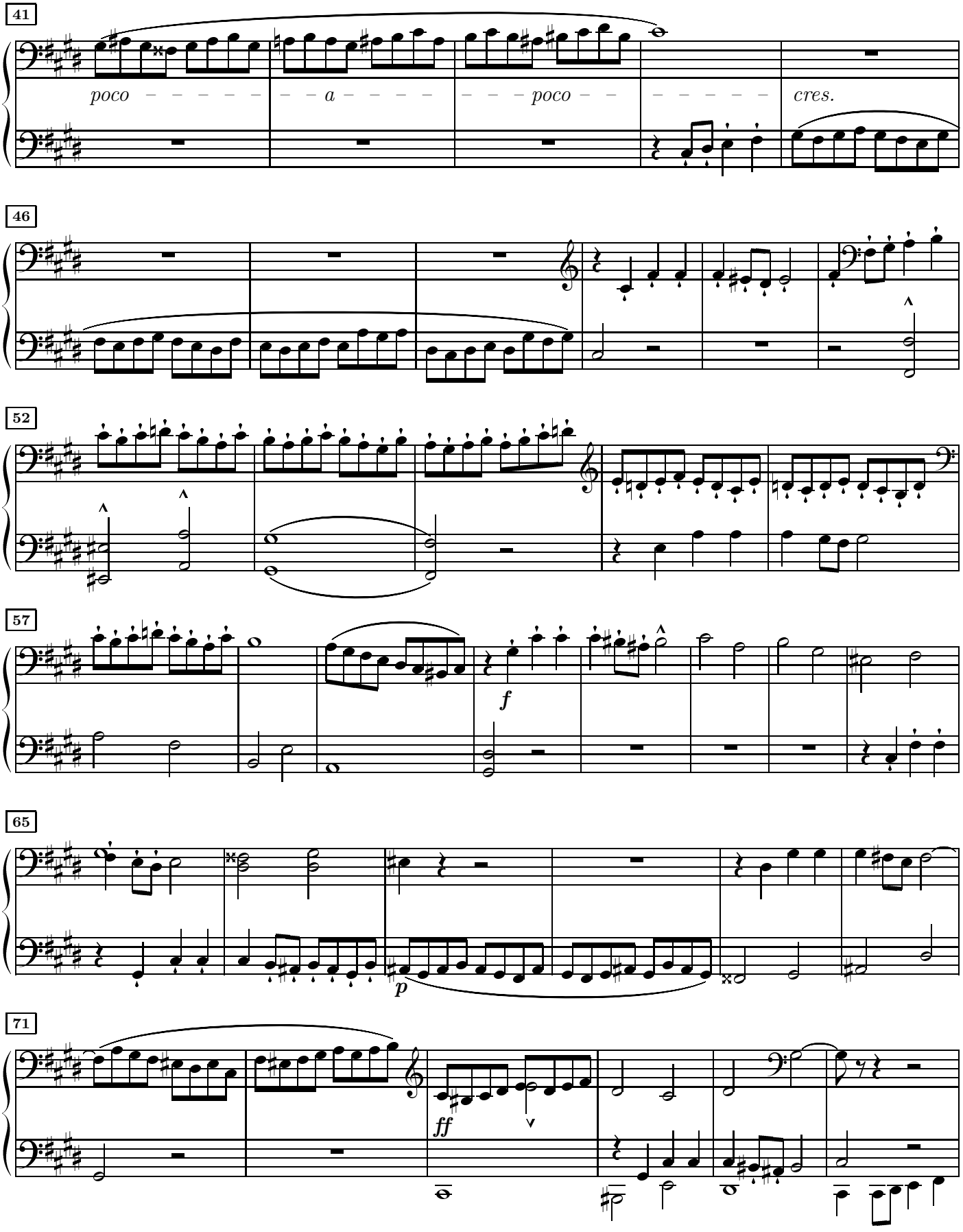
Moderato mæstoso.

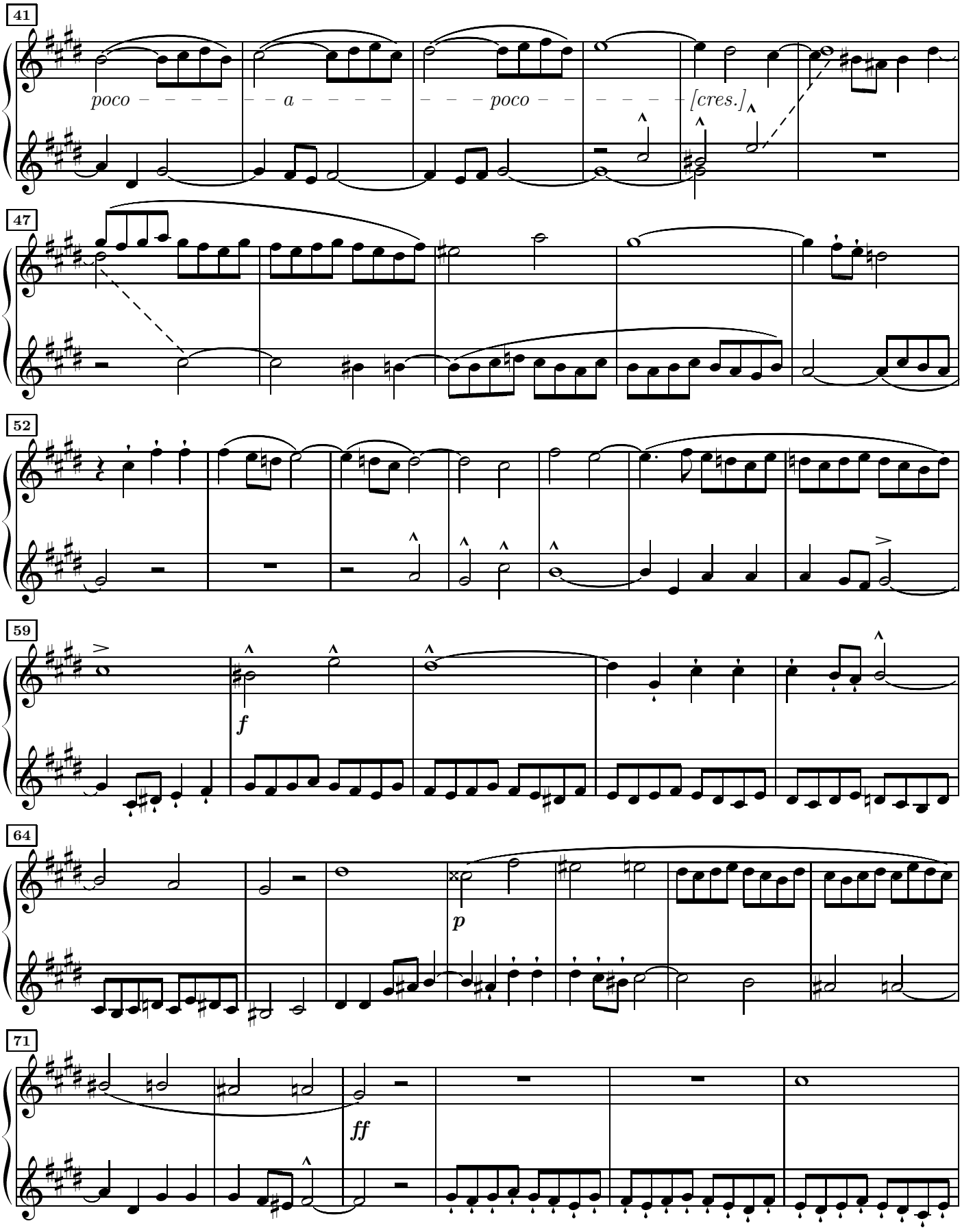


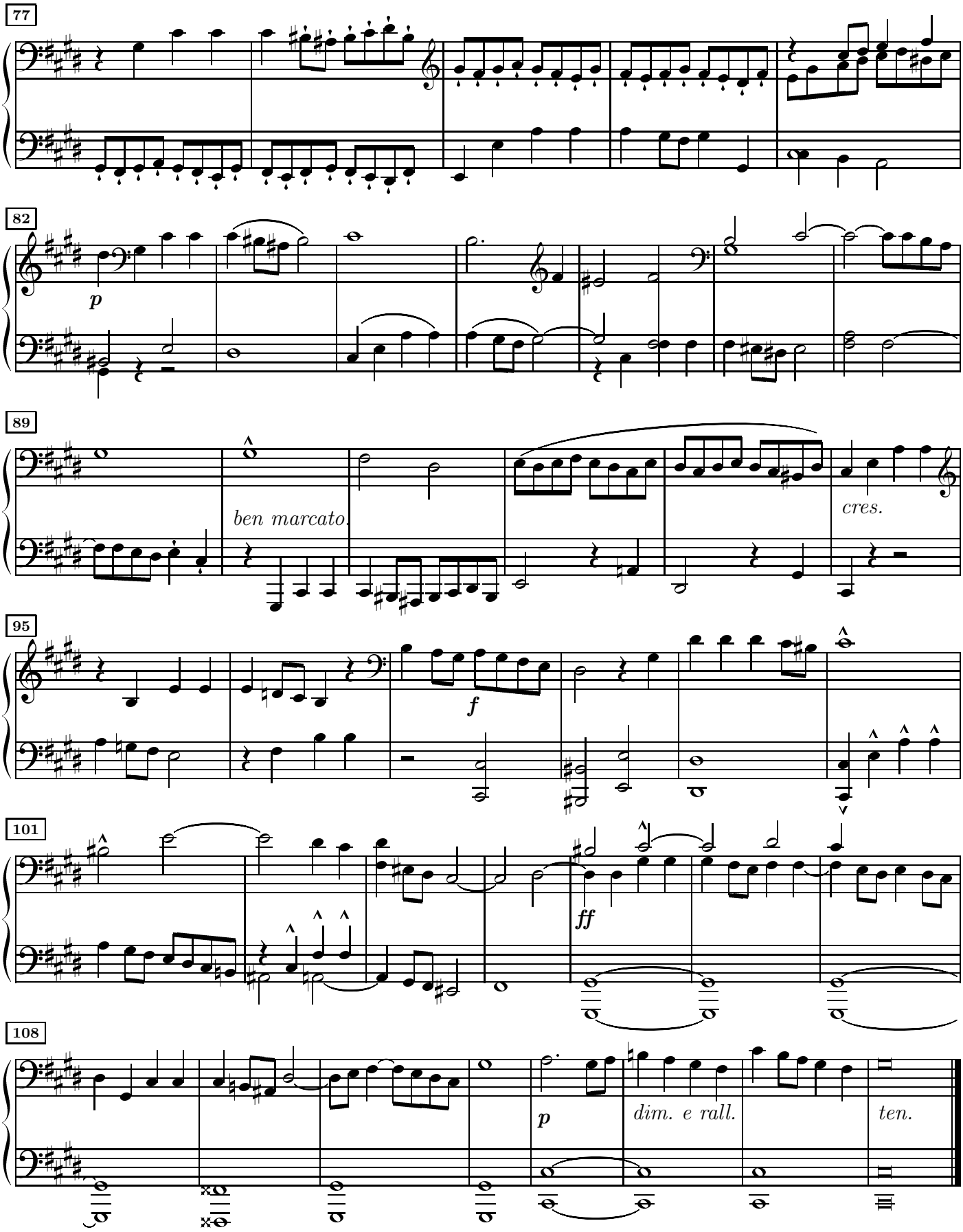
Fugue à 5 voix

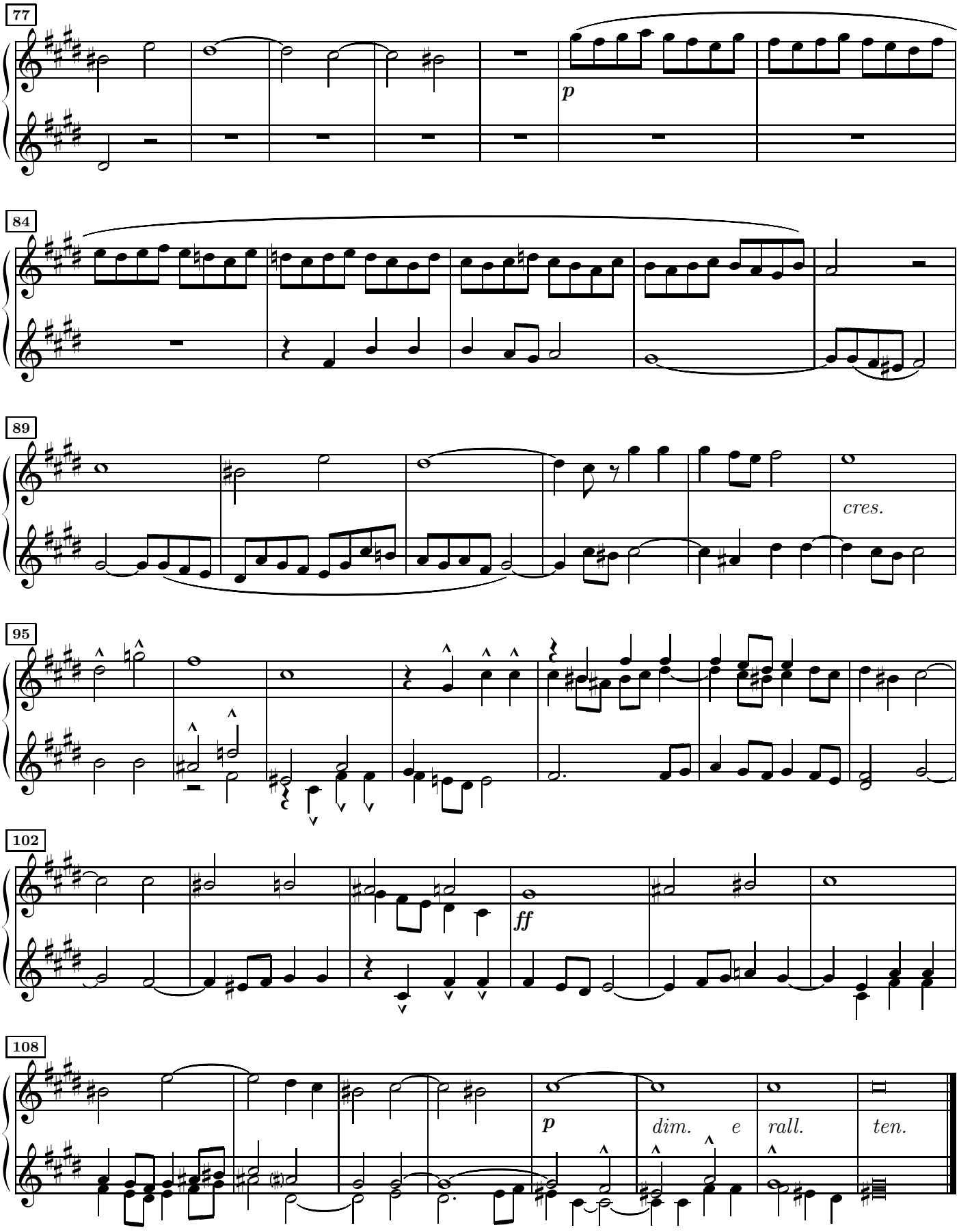
Moderato mæstoso.




41
poco – – – – – – – a – – – – – – poco – – – – – – – cres.
46
52
57
f
65
p
71
ff


41
poco – – – – – – a – – – – – – poco – – – – – – [cres.]
47
52
59
f
64
p
71
ff

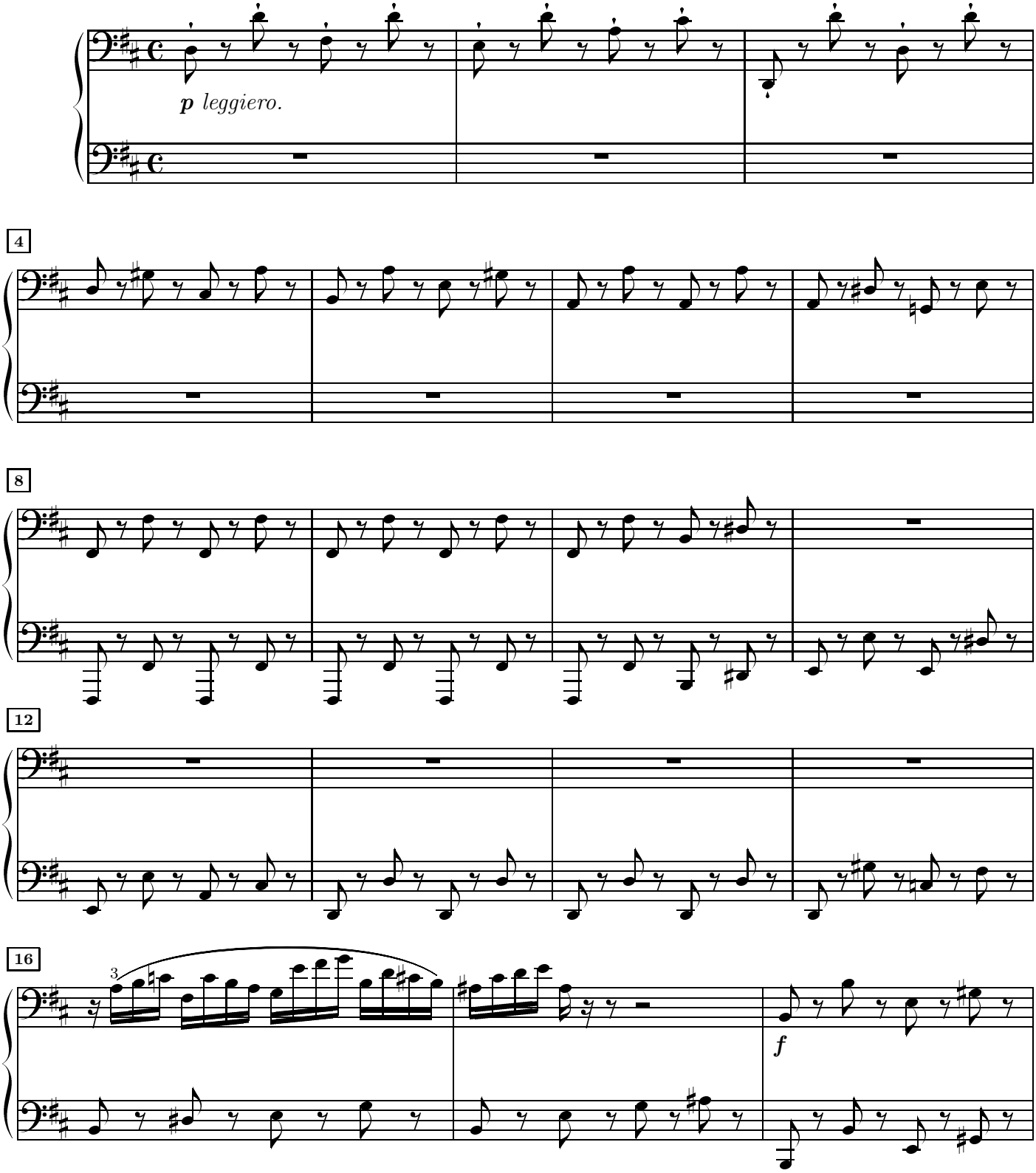

77
82
p
89
ben marcato.
cres.
95
f
101
ff
108
p
dim. e rall.
ten.


77
p
84
89
cres.
95
102
ff
108
p
dim. e
rall.
ten.

5.e en ré majeur

Prélude
Allegretto.

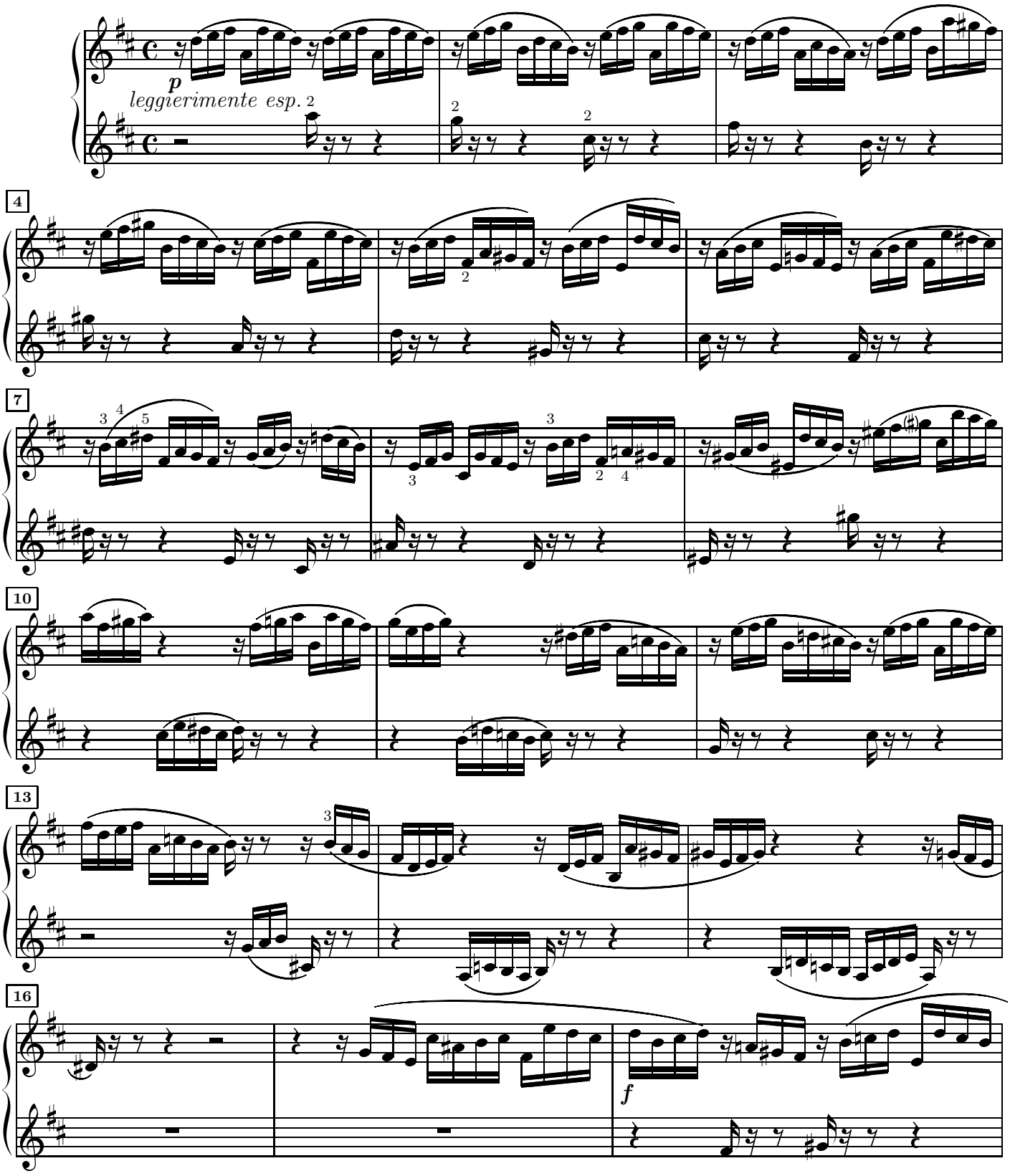
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

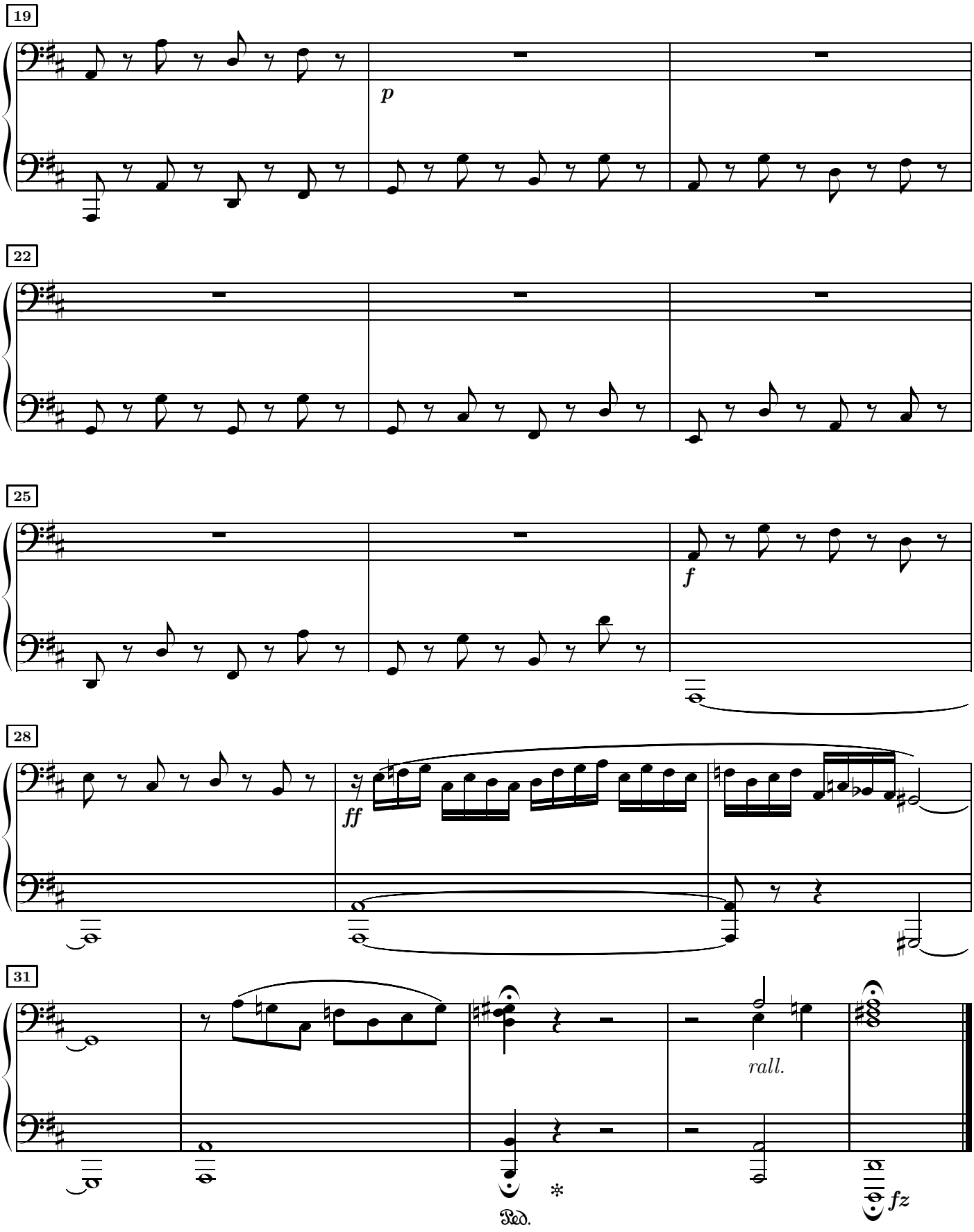


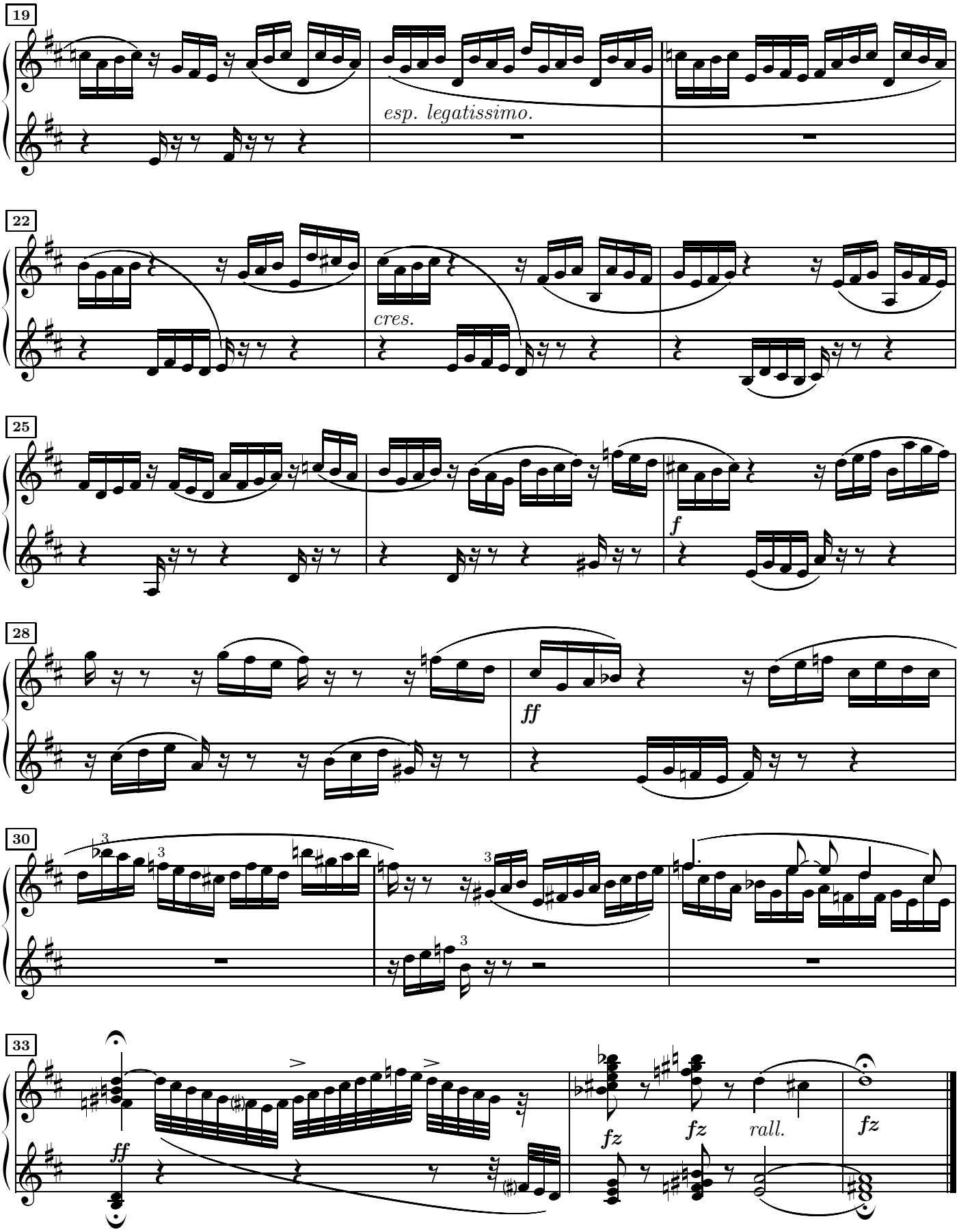
5.e en ré majeur

Prélude
Allegretto.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

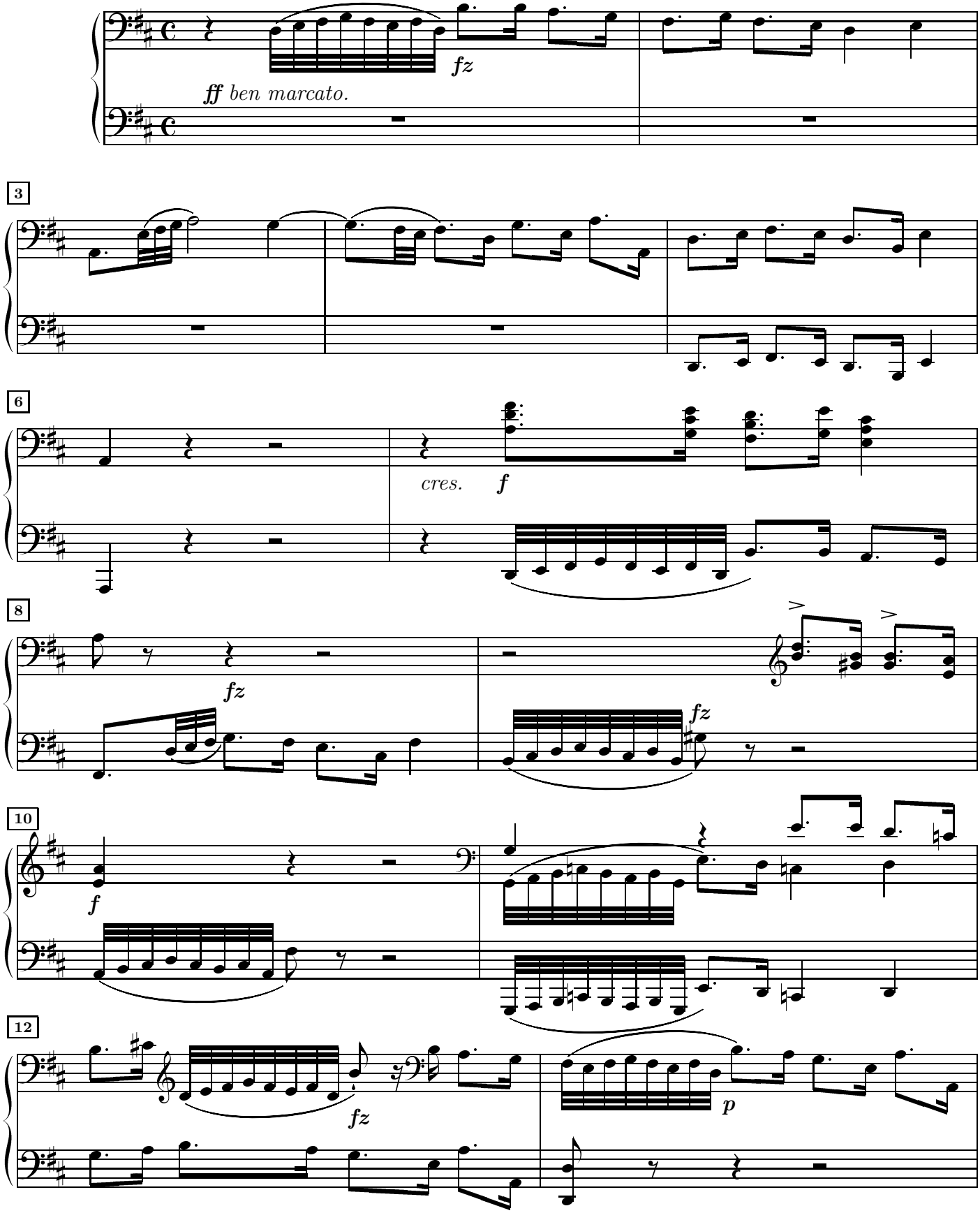



19
p
22
25
f
28
ff
31
rall.
Ped.
fz


19
esp. legatissimo.
22
cres.
25
f
28
ff
30
33
ff
fz
fz
rall.
fz

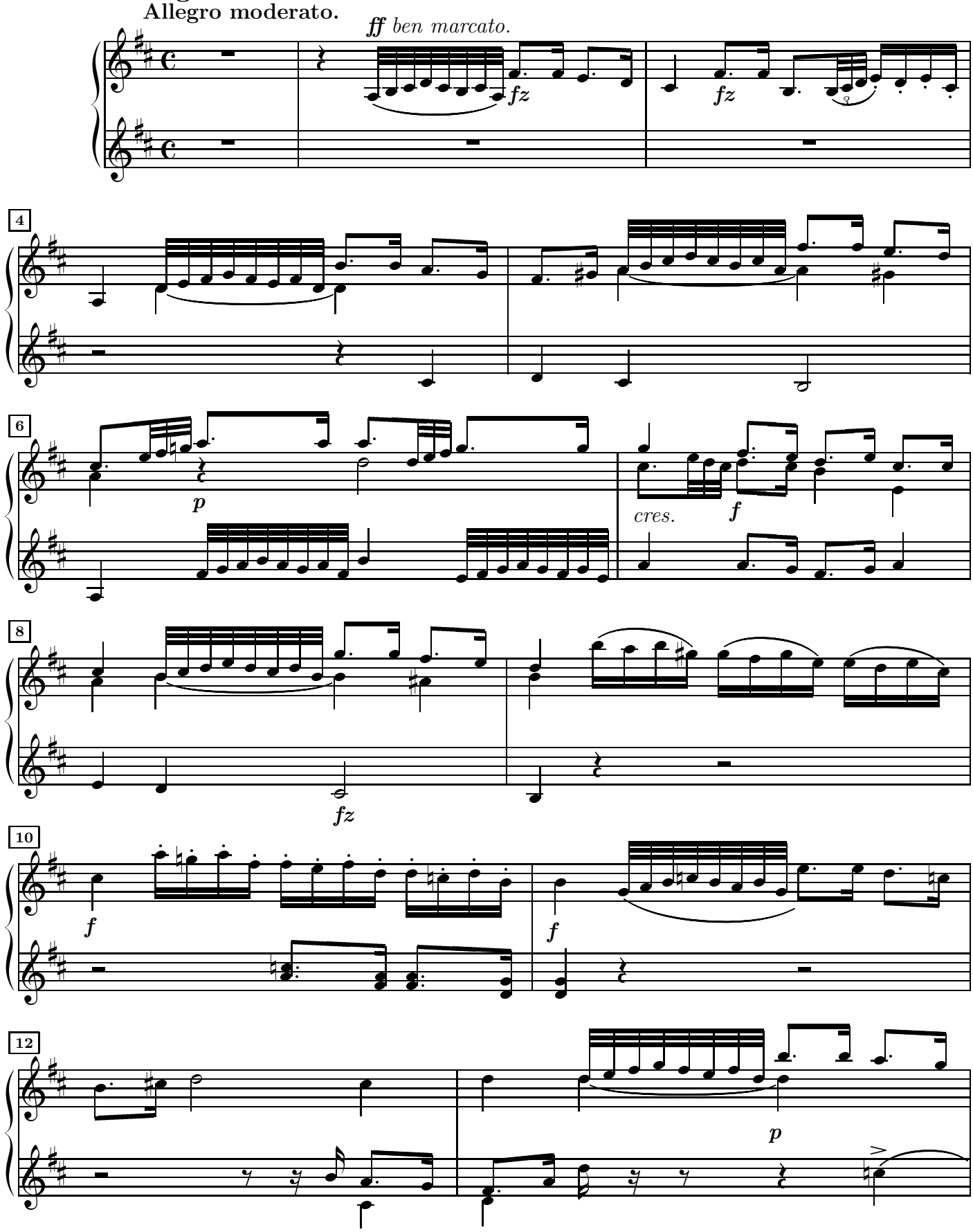
Fugue à 4 voix

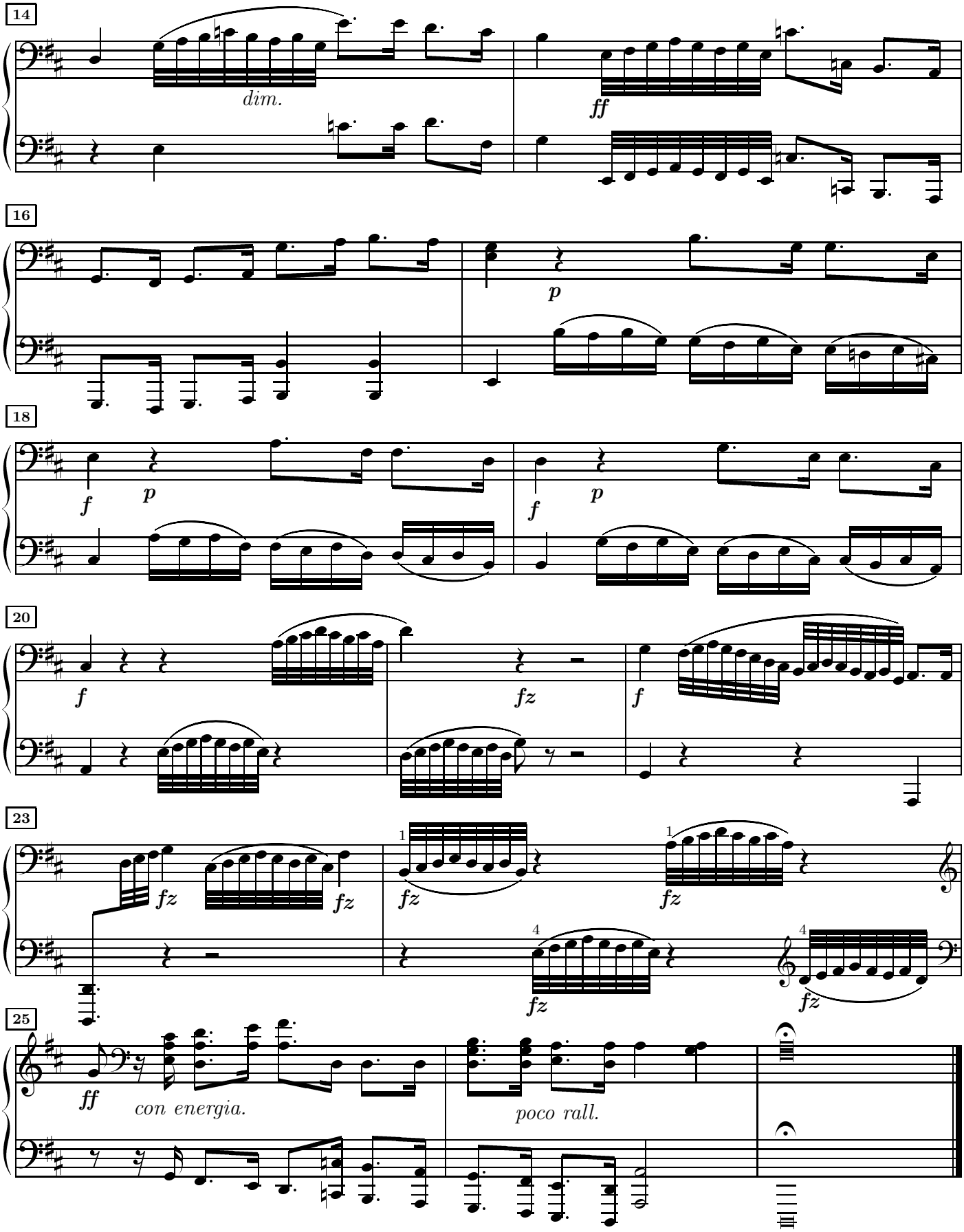
Allegro moderato.

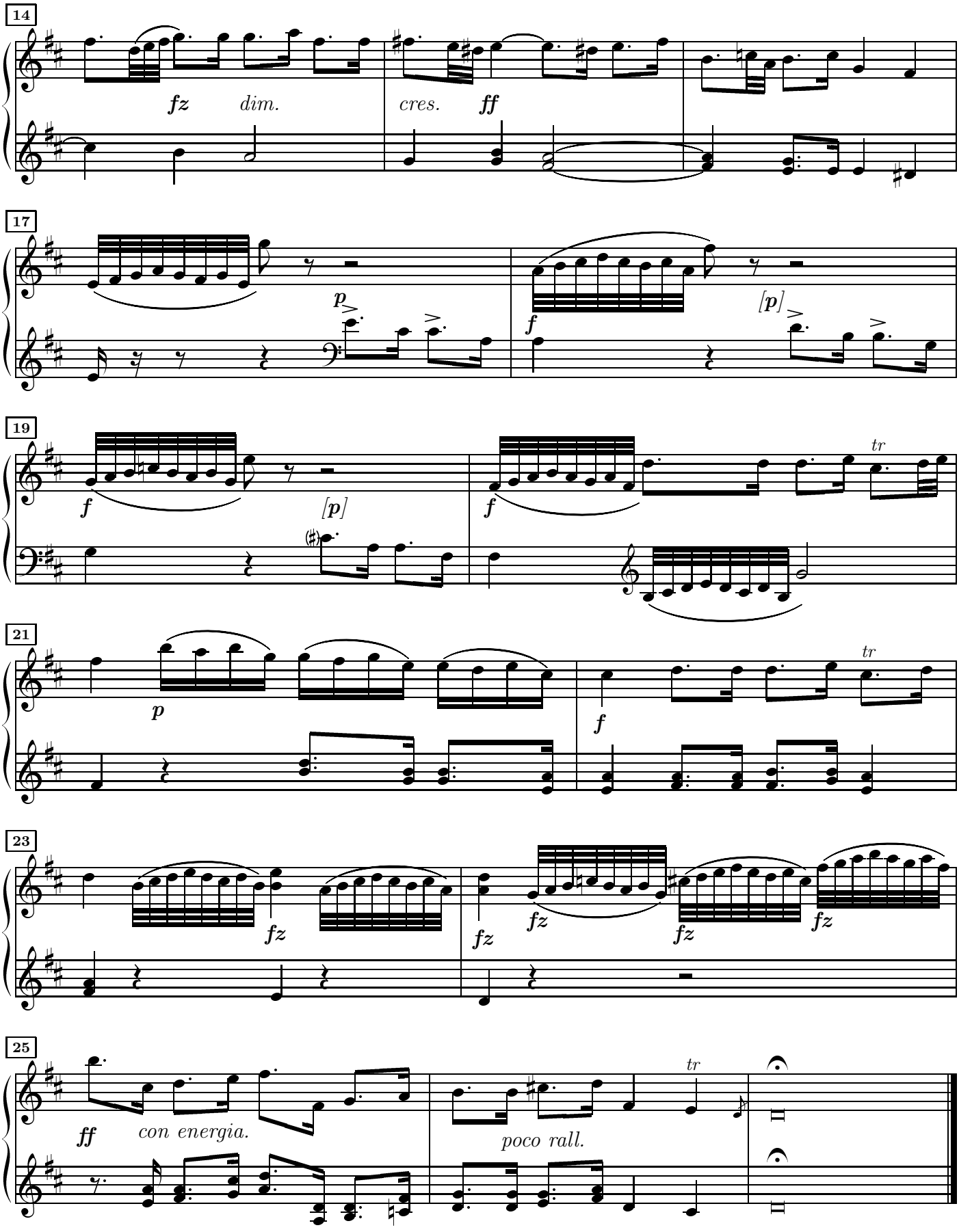


Fugue à 4 voix

Allegro moderato.




14
dim.
ff
16
p
18
f
p
f
p
20
f
fz
f
23
fz
fz
fz
fz
fz
fz
25
ff
con energia.
poco rall.

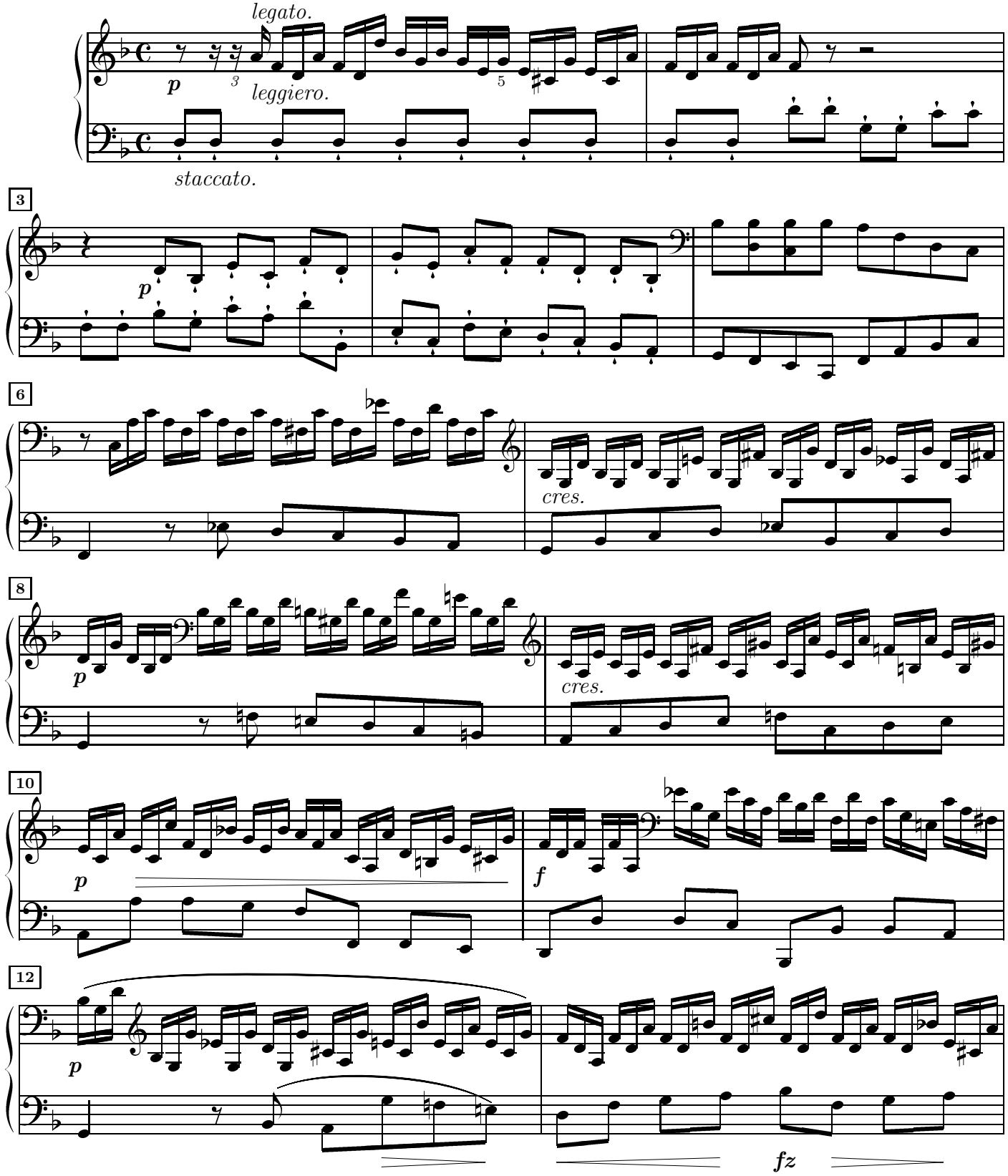

14
fz
dim.
cres.
ff
17
p
f
[p]
19
f
[p]
f
tr
21
p
f
tr
23
fz
fz
fz
fz
fz
25
ff
con energia.
poco rall.
tr

6.e en ré mineur

Prélude

Allegro moderato.

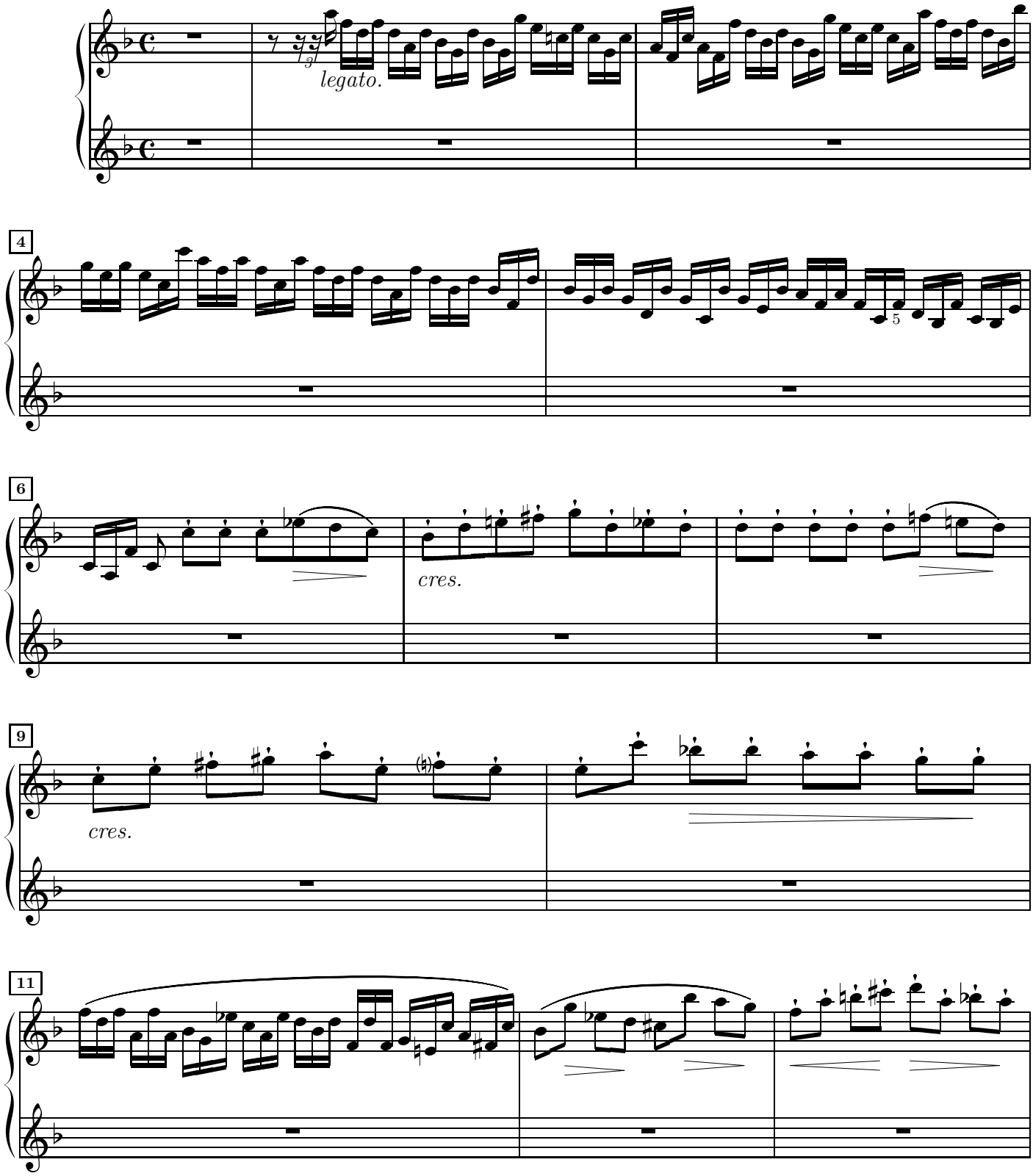
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

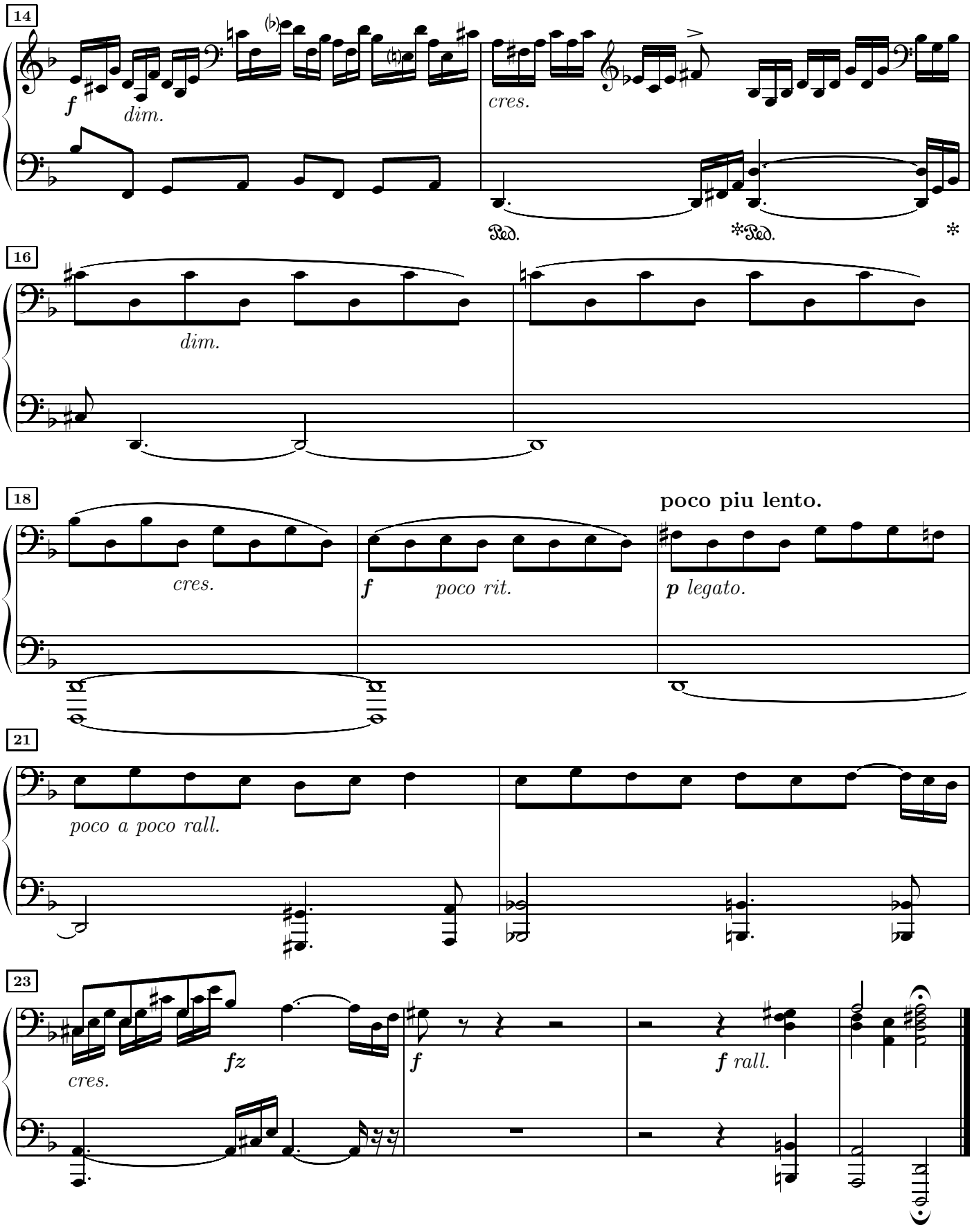


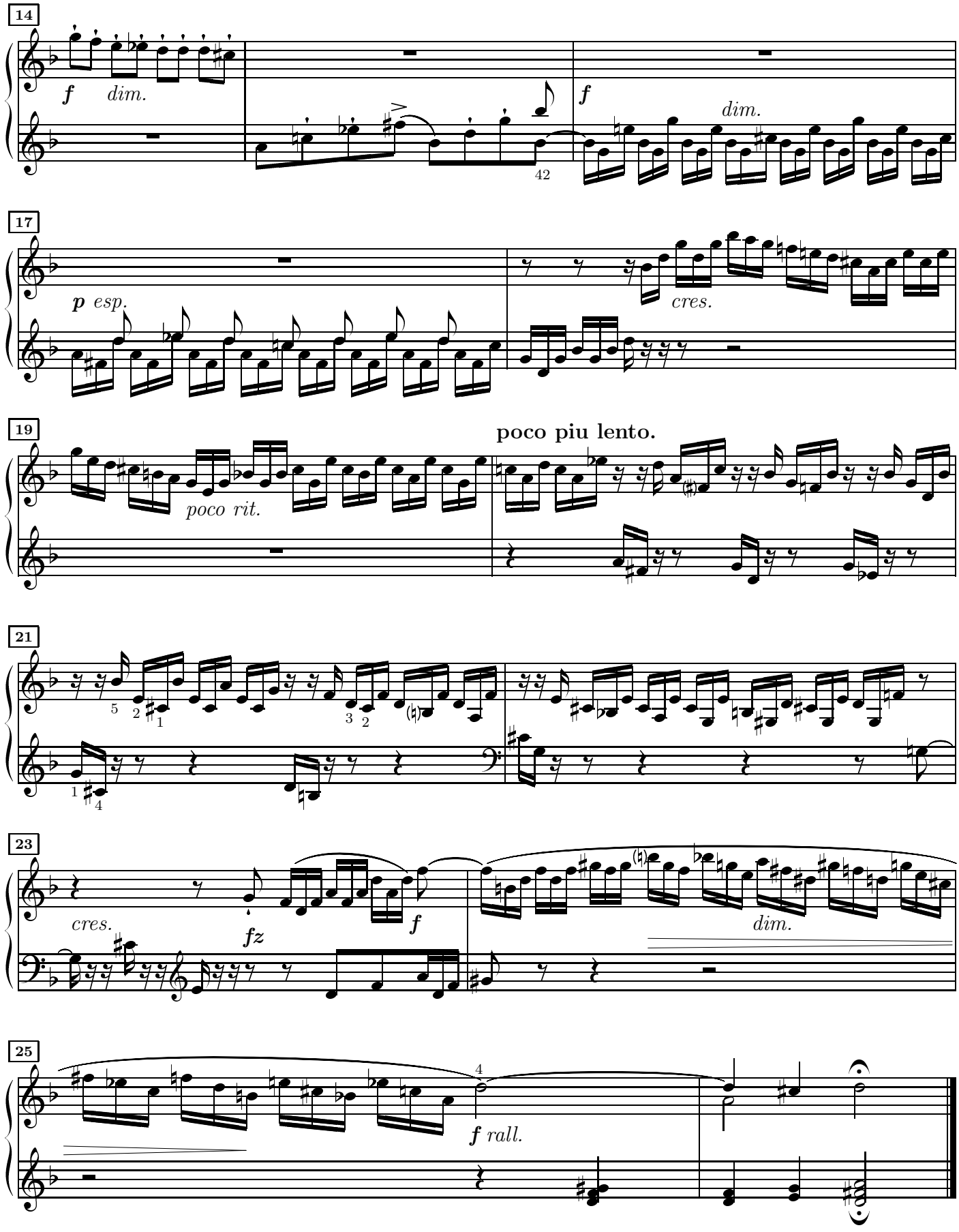
6.e en ré mineur

Prélude
Allegro moderato.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

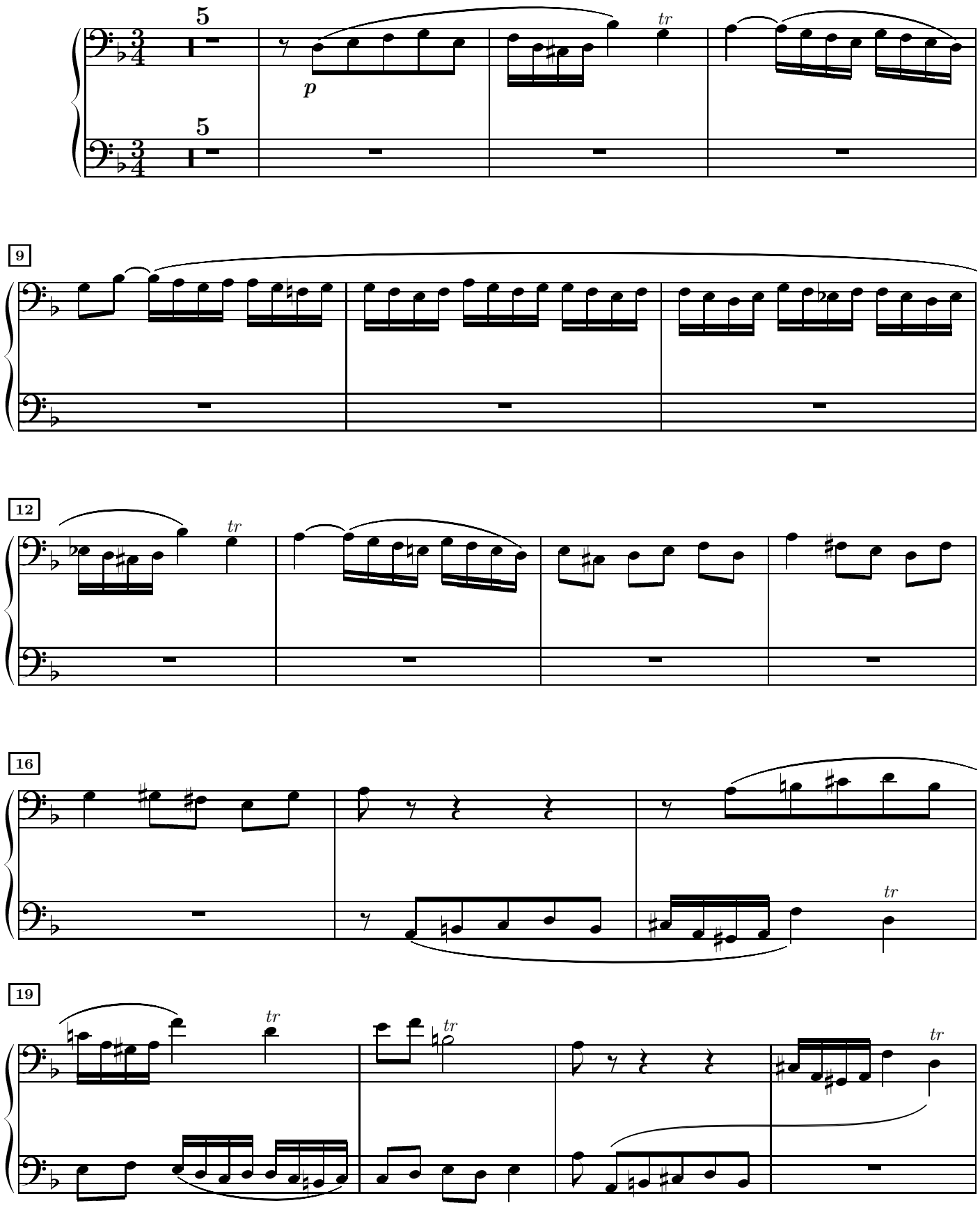



14
f
dim.
cres.
Ped.
Ped.
16
dim.
18
poco piu lento.
cres.
f
poco rit.
p legato.
21
poco a poco rall.
23
cres.
fz
f
f rall.


14
f
dim.
42
f
dim.
17
p esp.
cres.
19
poco piu lento.
poco rit.
21
23
cres.
fz
f
dim.
25
f rall.

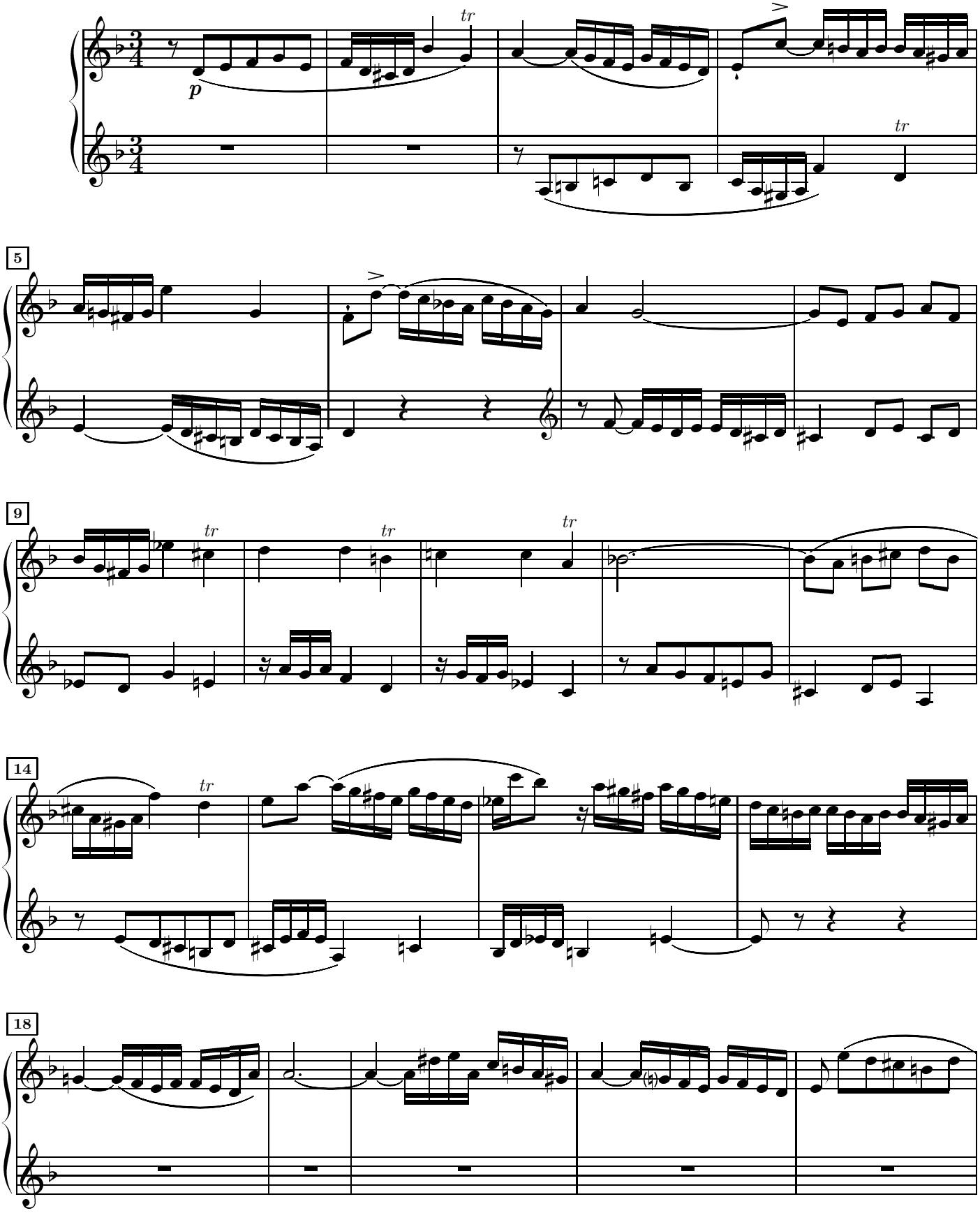
Fugue à 3 voix

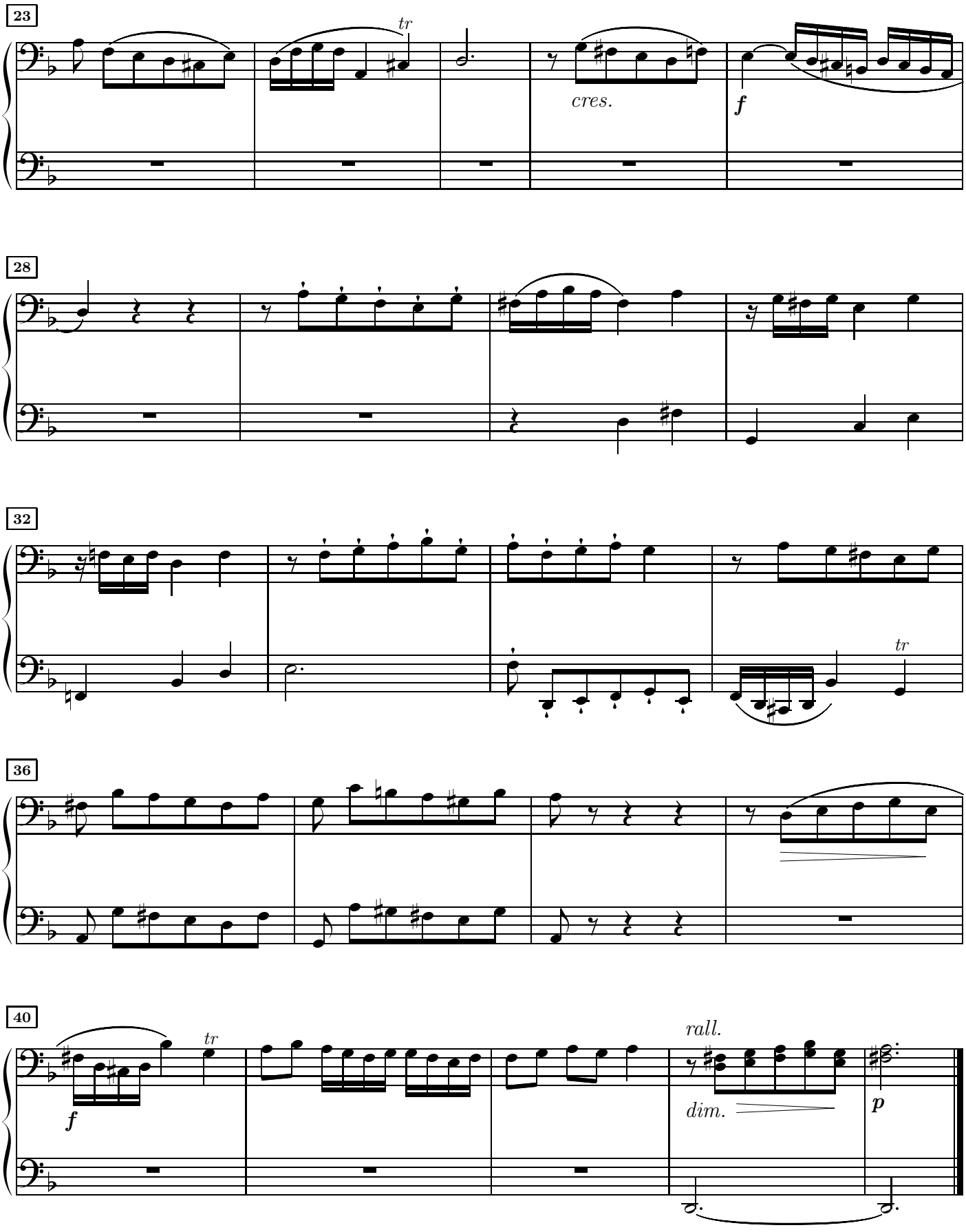
Andante.

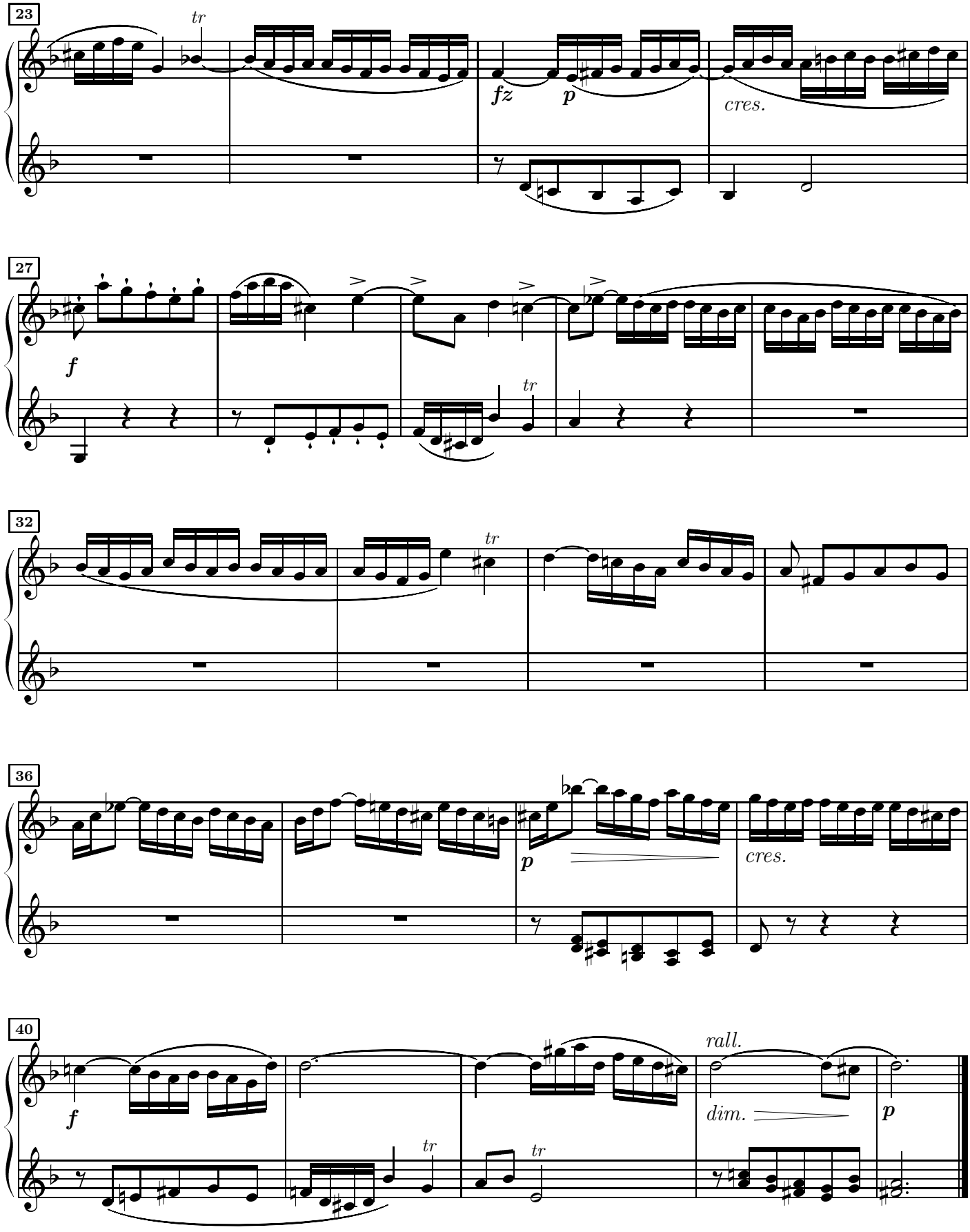


Fugue à 3 voix

Andante.



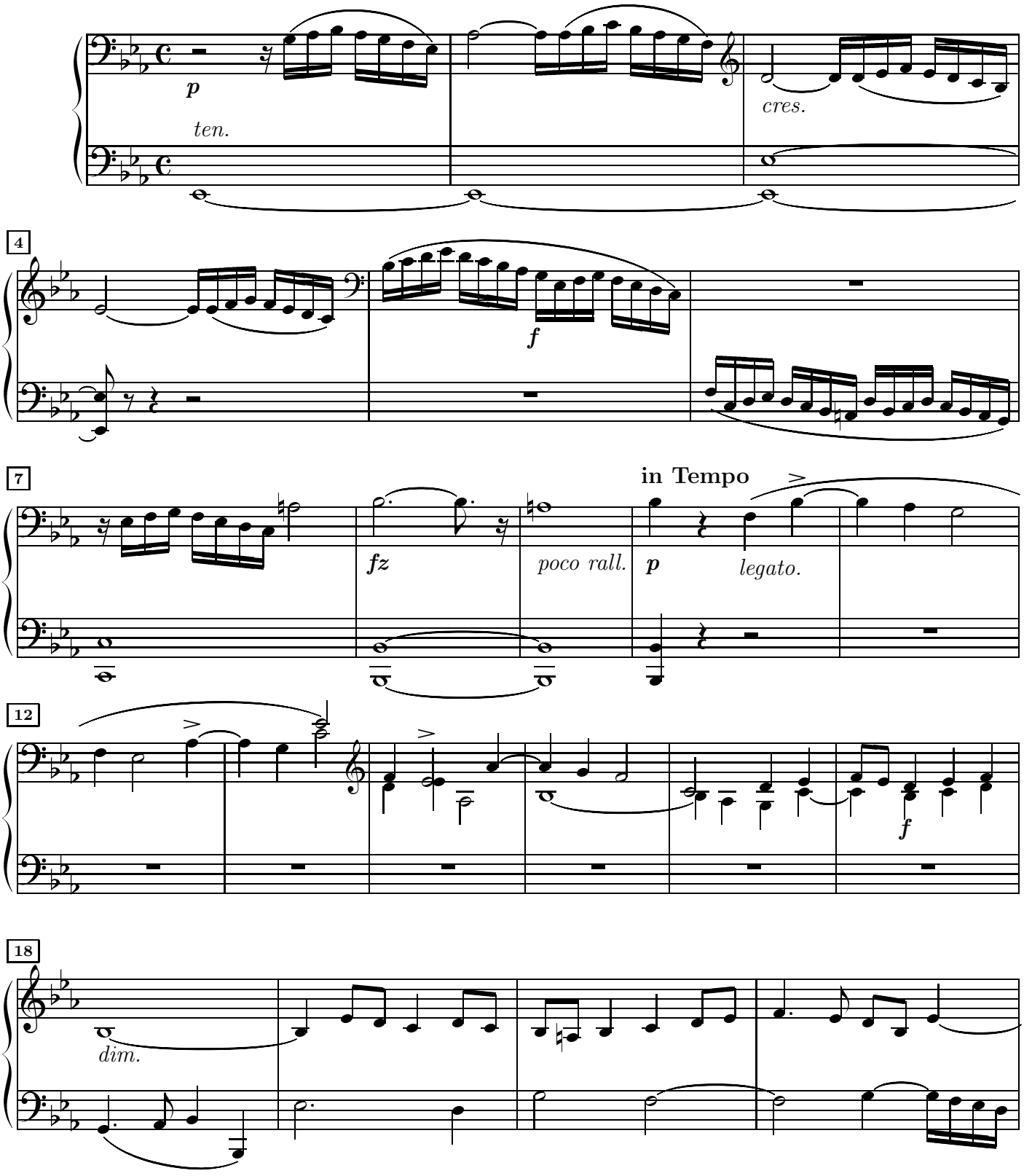

23
tr
cres.
f
28
32
tr
36
40
tr
f
rall.
dim.
p


23
tr
fz
p
cres.
27
f
tr
32
tr
36
p
cres.
40
f
tr
tr
rall.
dim.
p

7.e en mi bémol majeur

Prélude
Lento moderato.

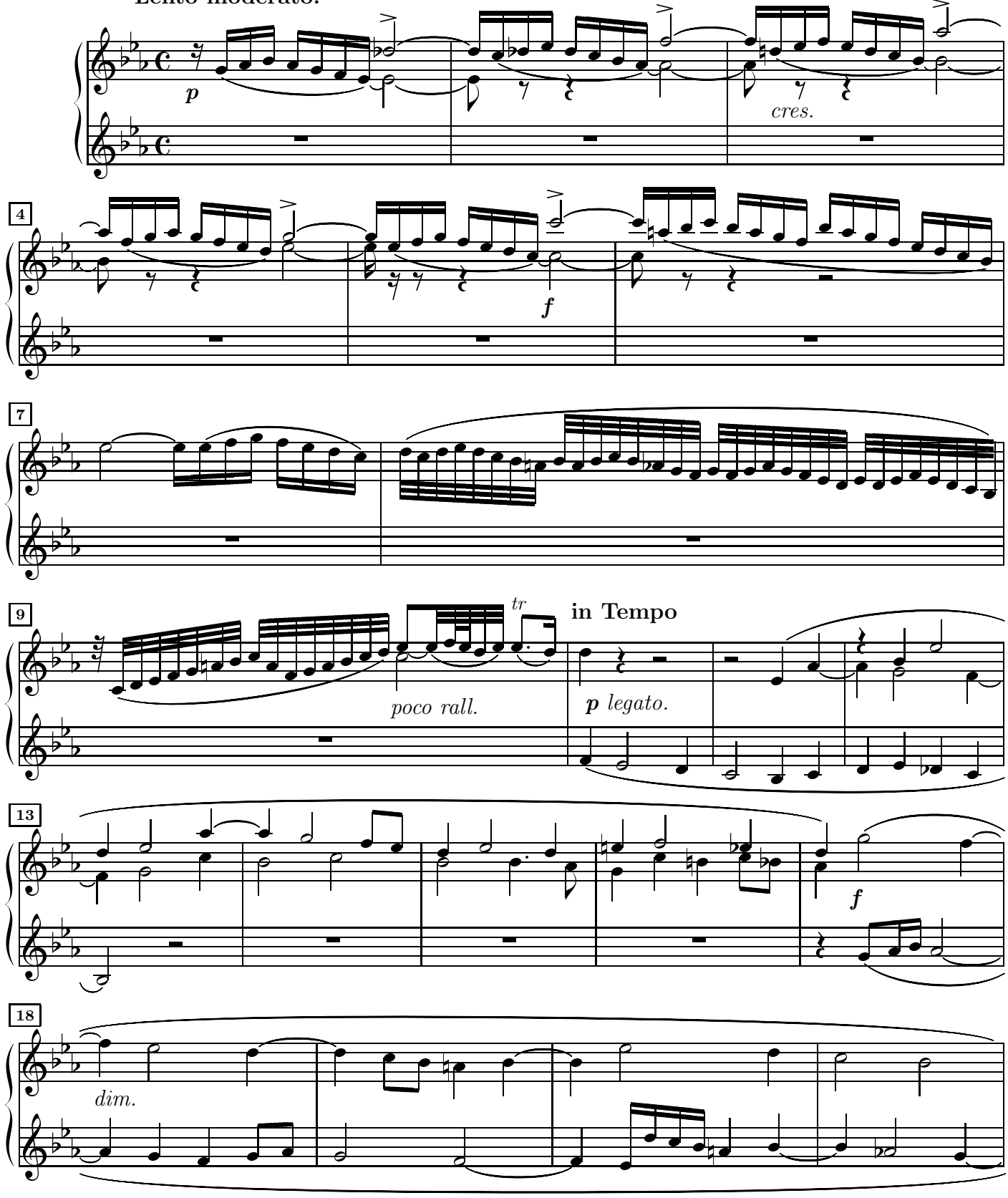
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

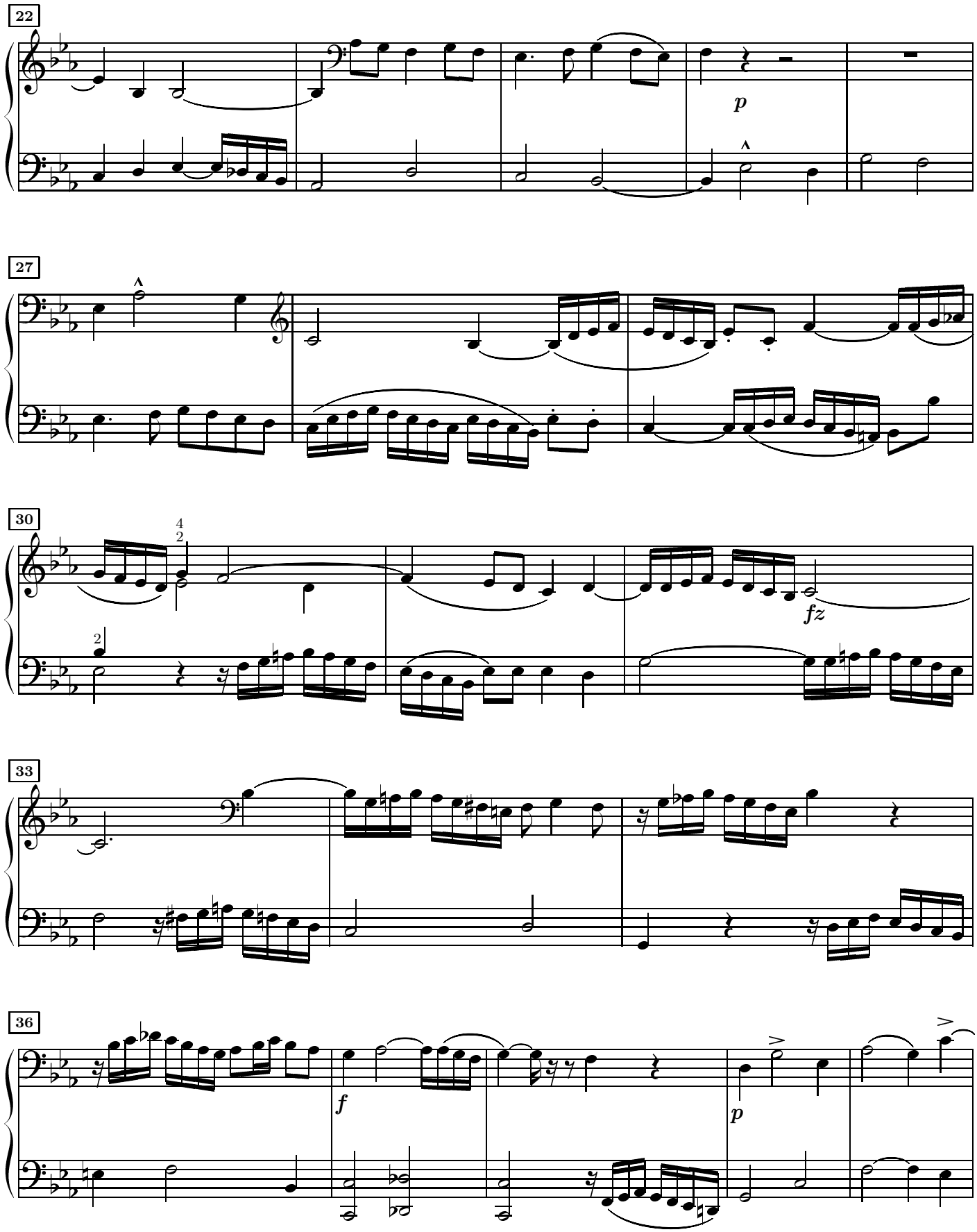


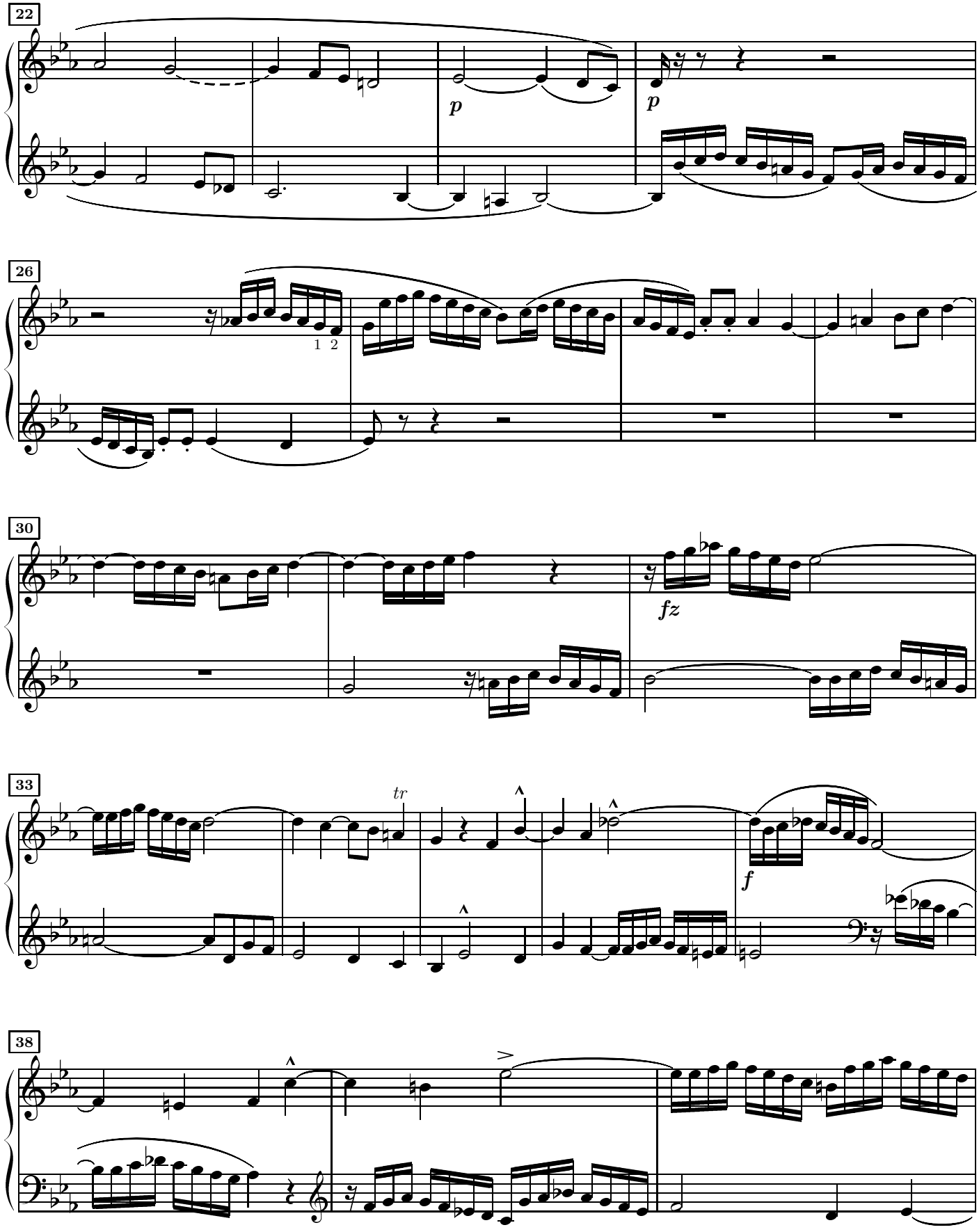
7.e en mi bémol majeur

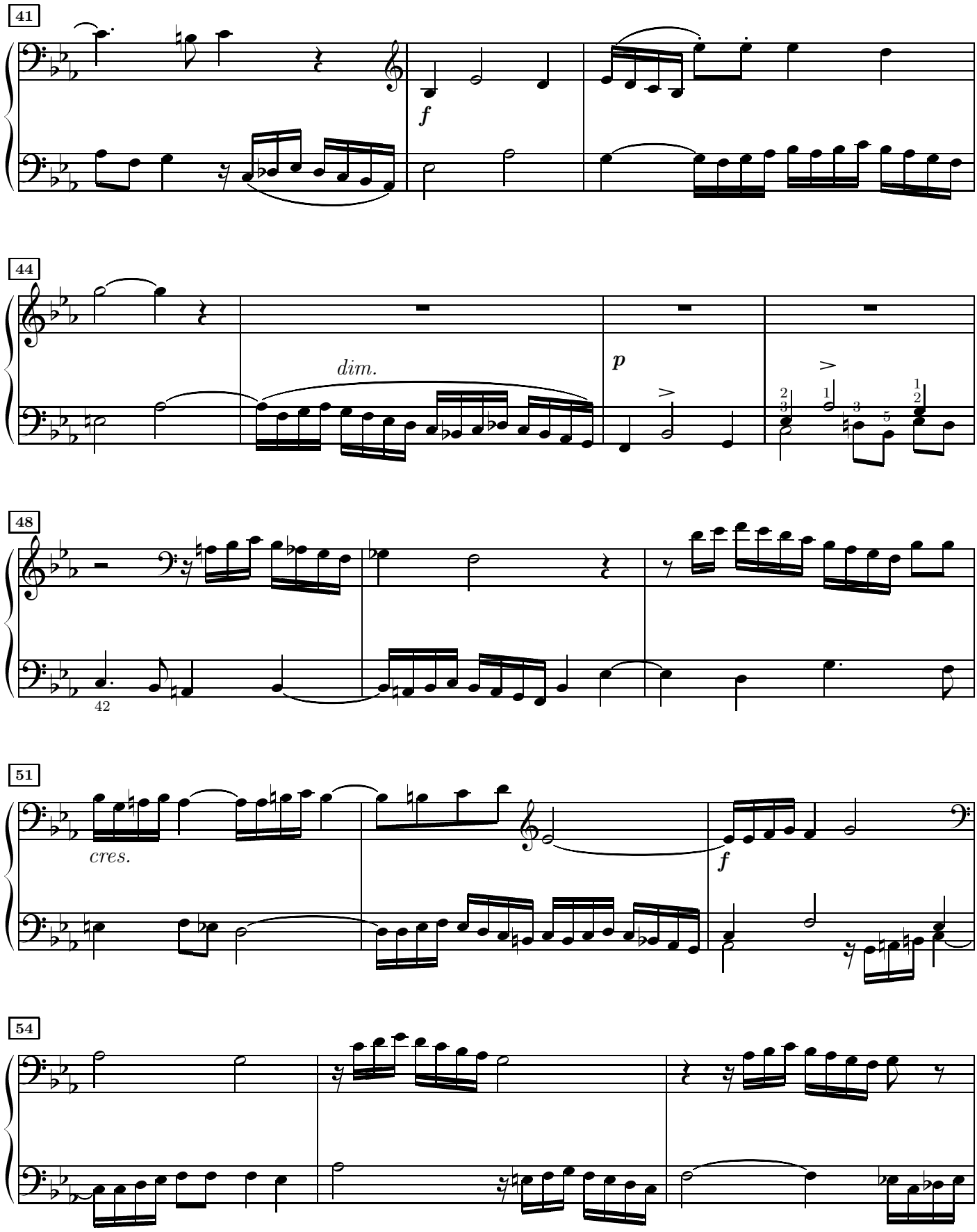
Prélude
Lento moderato.

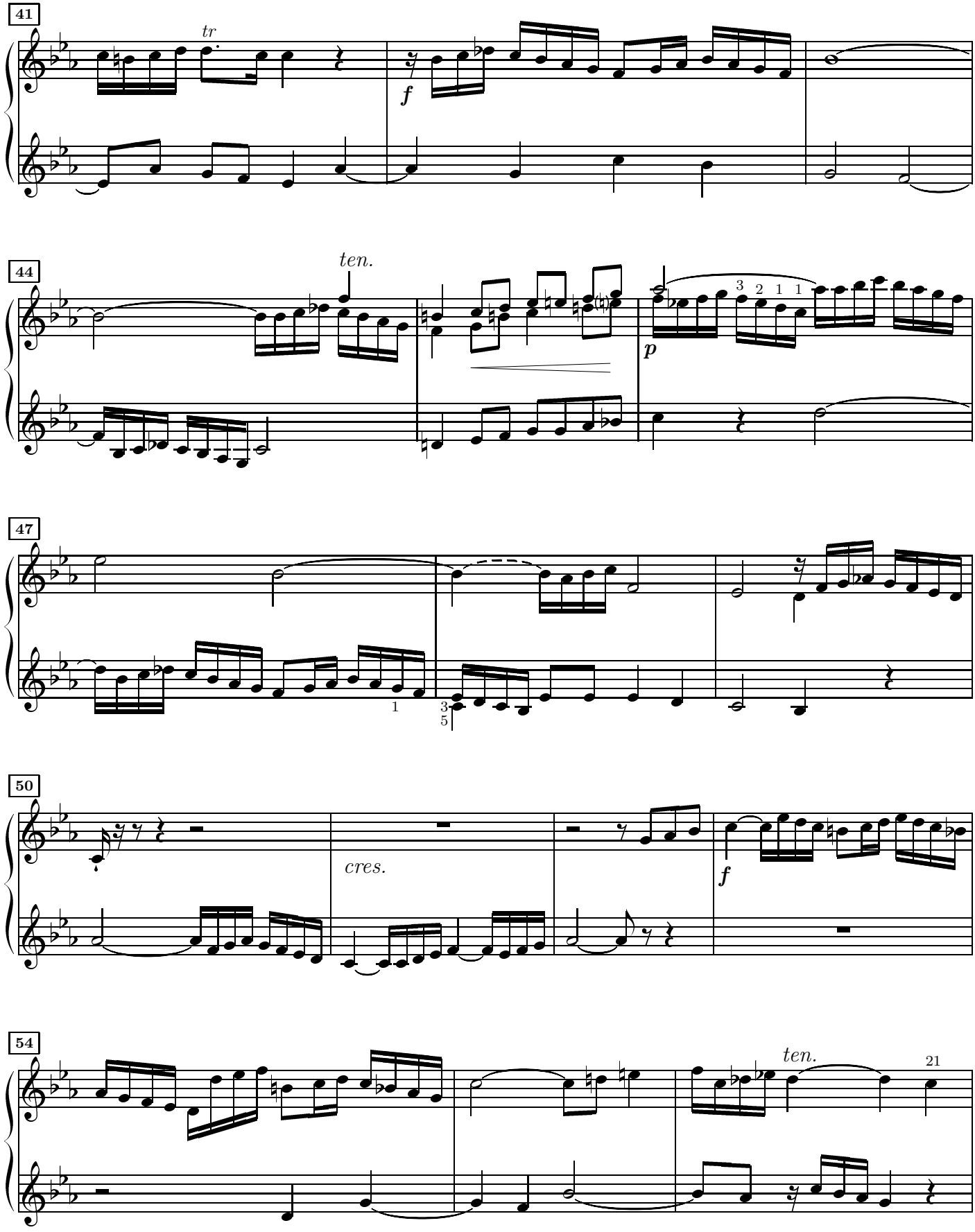
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

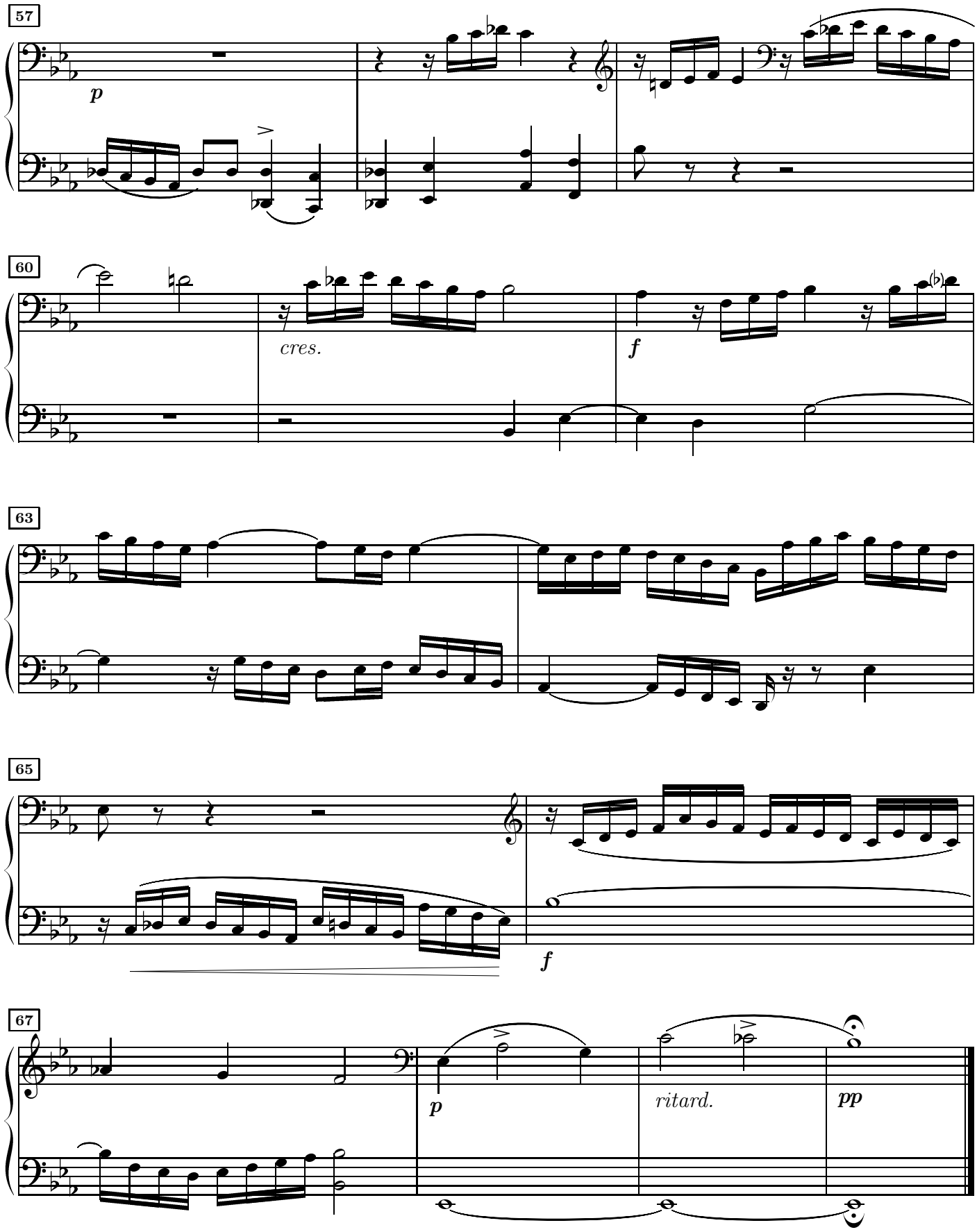


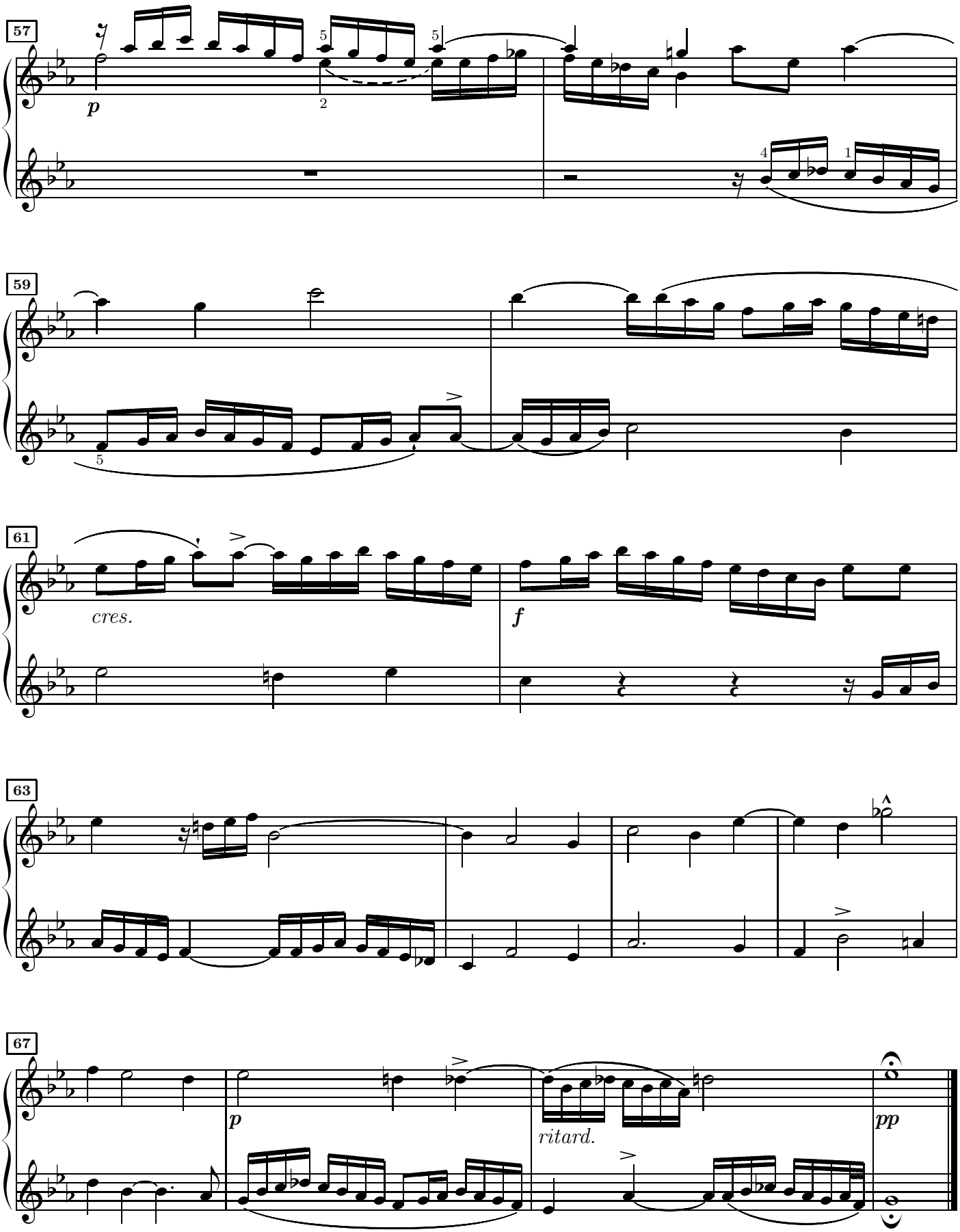

22
p
27
30
fz
33
36
f
p


22
p
p
26
1 2
30
fz
33
tr
f
38


41
f
44
dim.
p
48
42
51
cres.
f
54

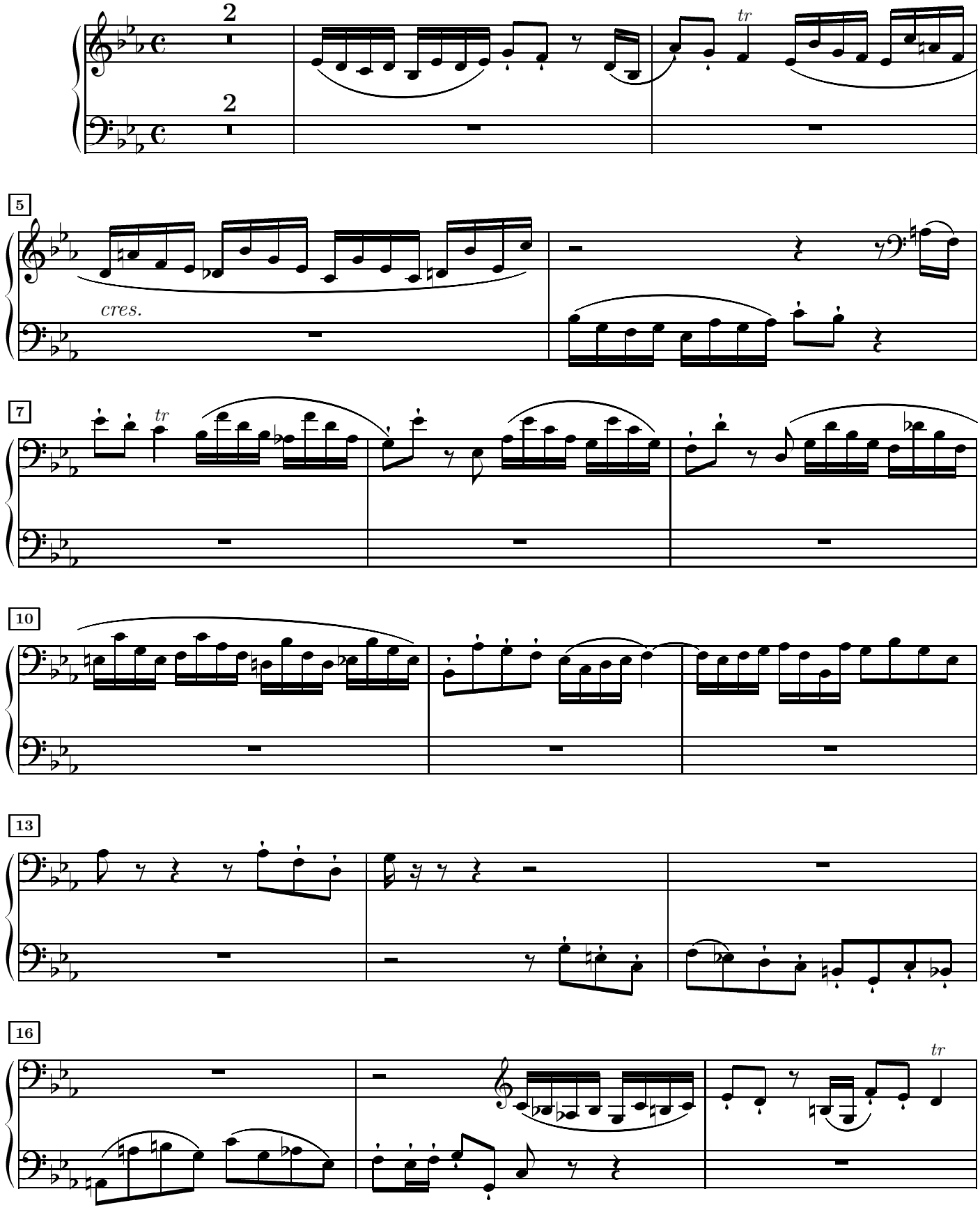

41
tr
f
44
ten.
p
3 2 1 1
47
1
3
5
50
cres.
f
54
ten.
21


57
p
60
cres.
f
63
65
f
67
p
ritard.
pp


57
p
59
61
cres.
f
63
67
p
ritard.
pp

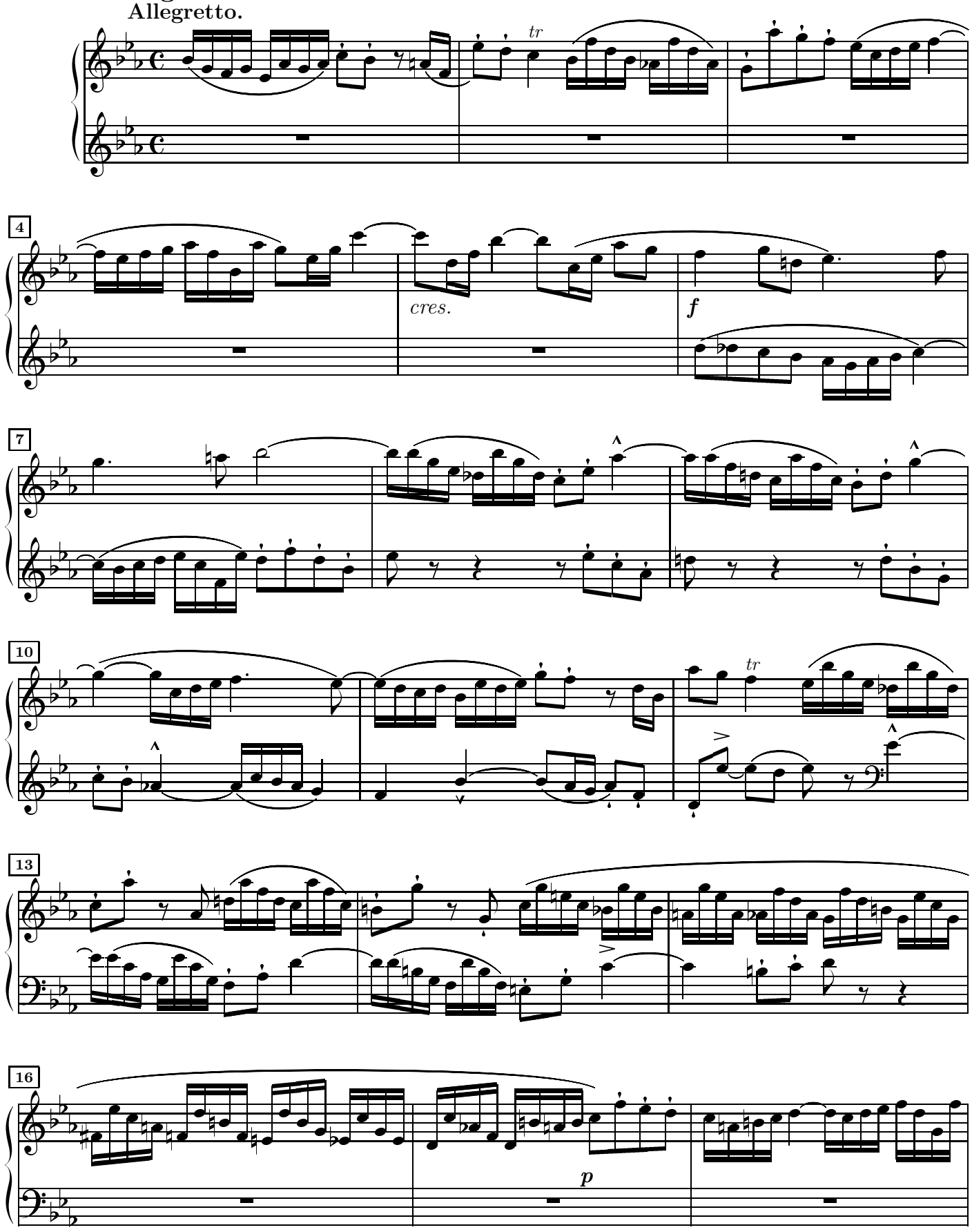
Fugue à 3 voix

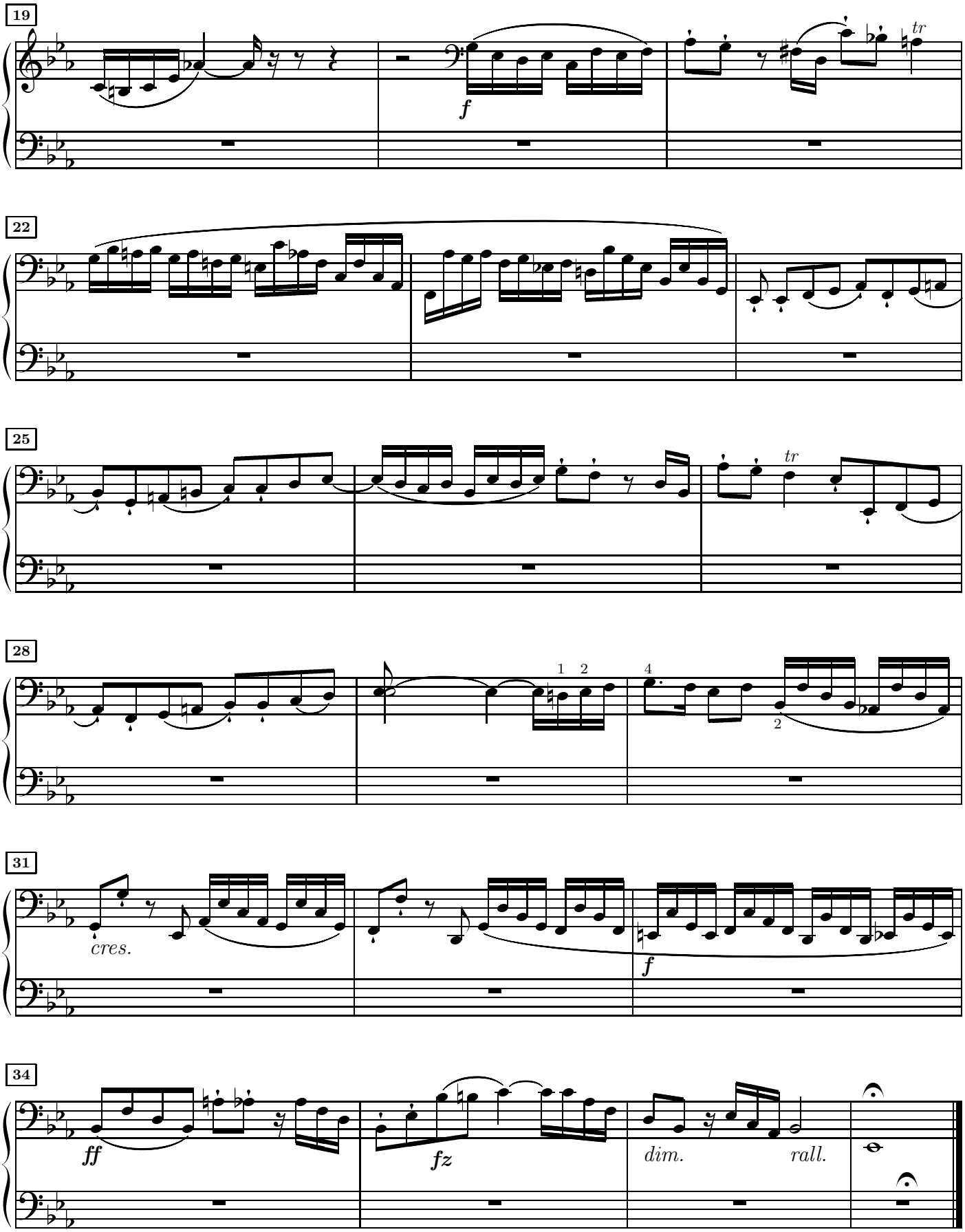
Allegretto.

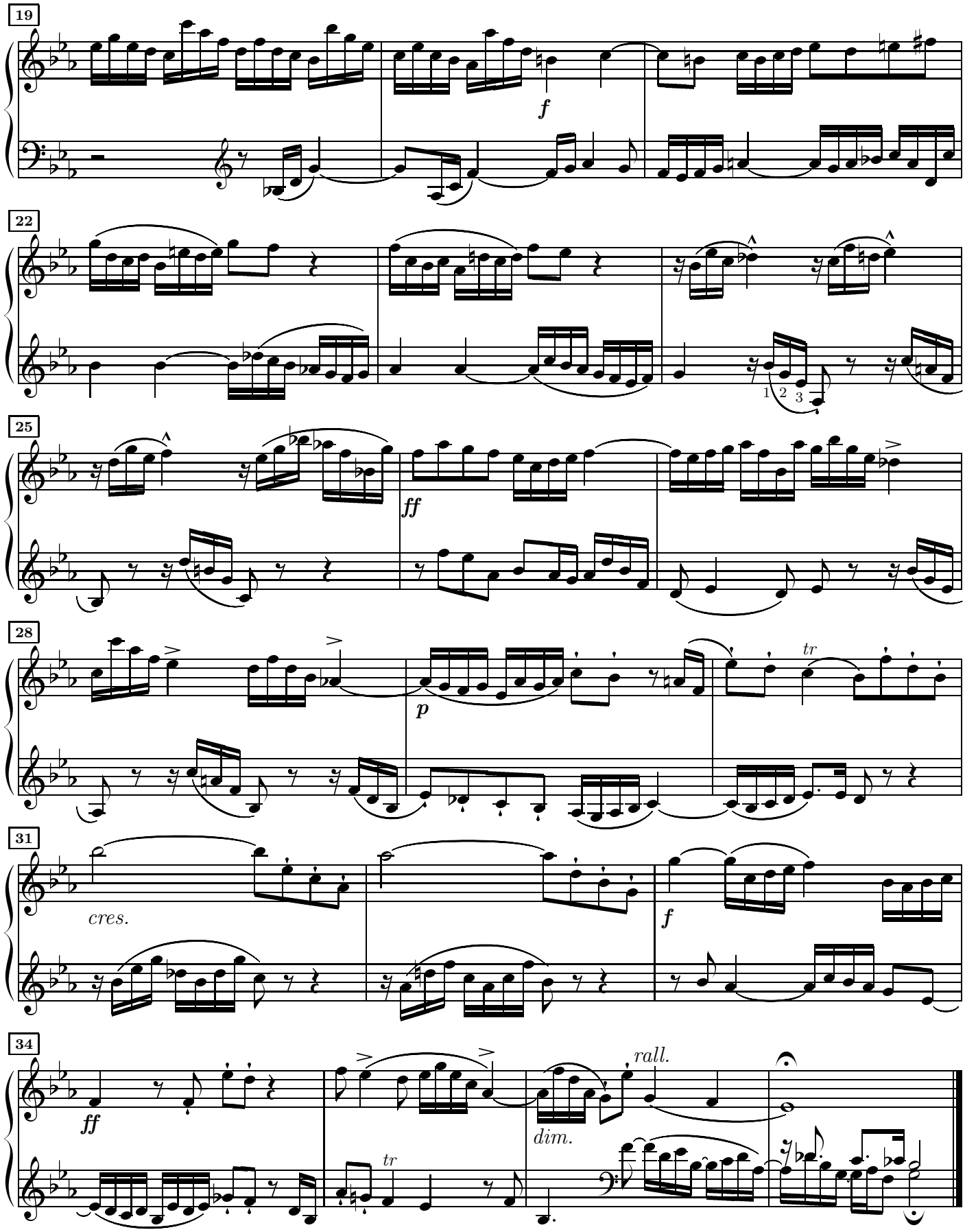


Fugue à 3 voix

Allegretto.




19
f
tr
22
25
tr
28
1 2
4
2
31
cres.
f
34
ff
fz
dim.
rall.

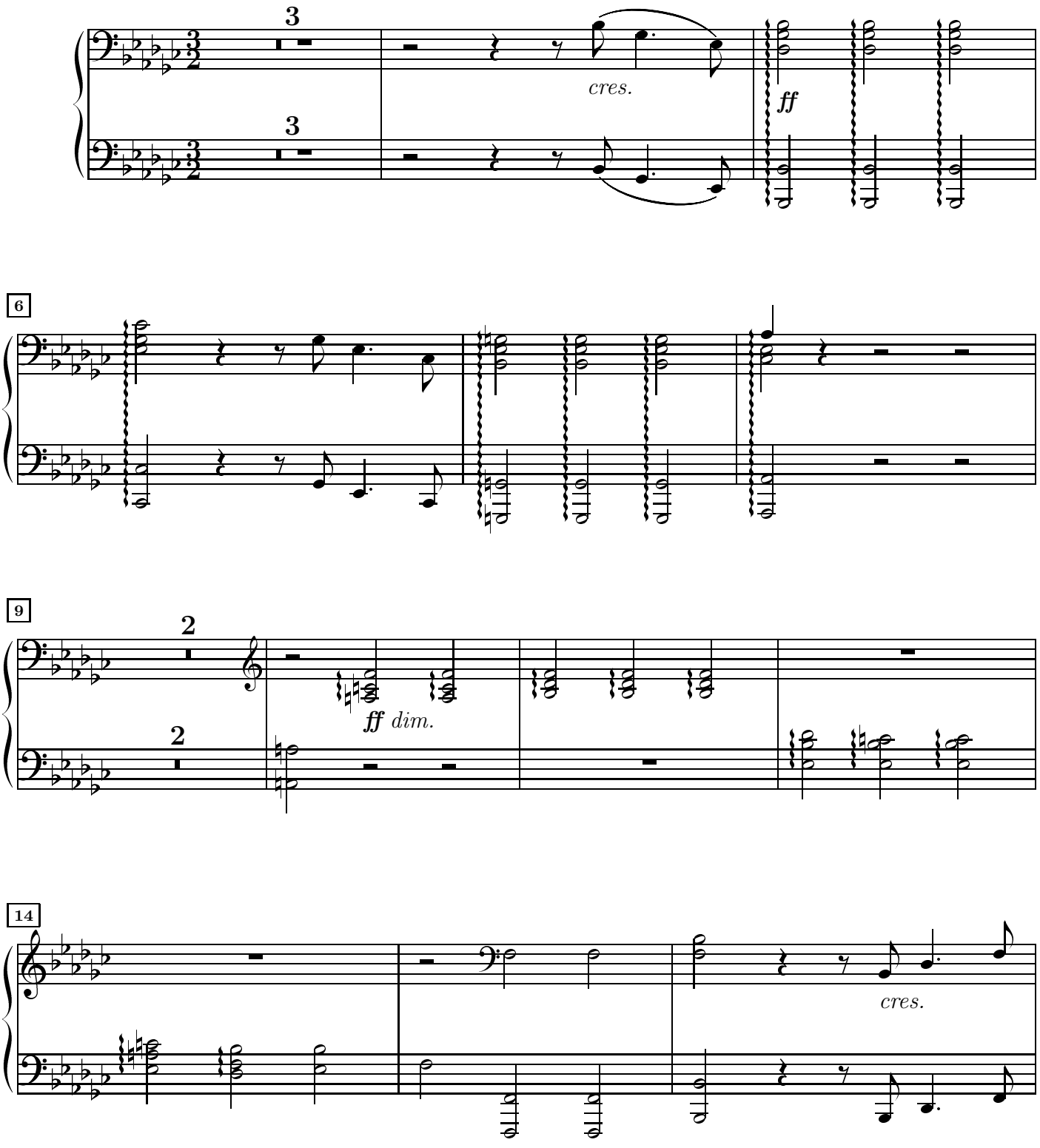

19
f
22
1 2 3
25
ff
28
p
tr
31
cres.
f
34
ff
tr
dim.
rall.

8.e en mi bémol mineur

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

Prélude

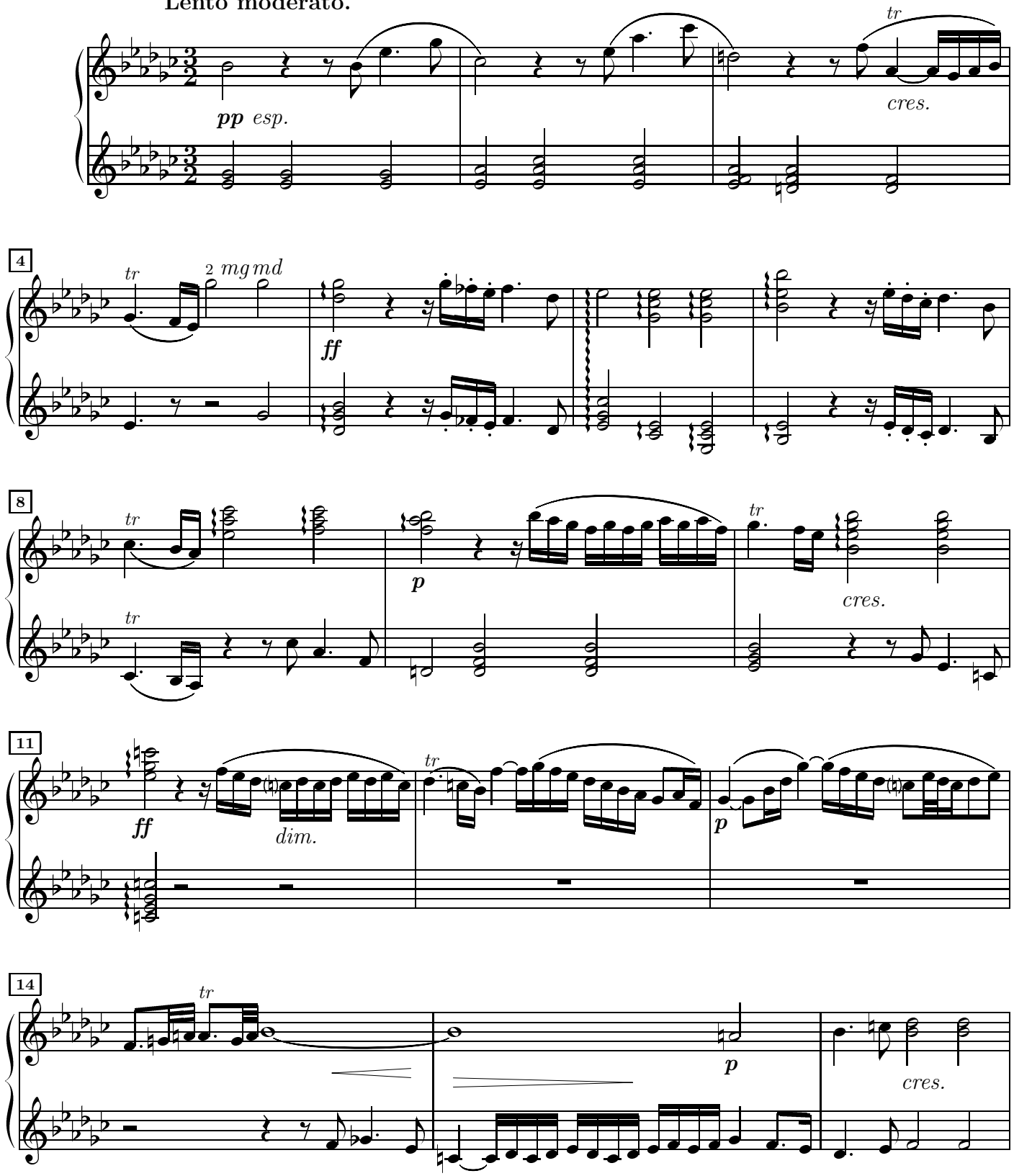
Lento moderato.

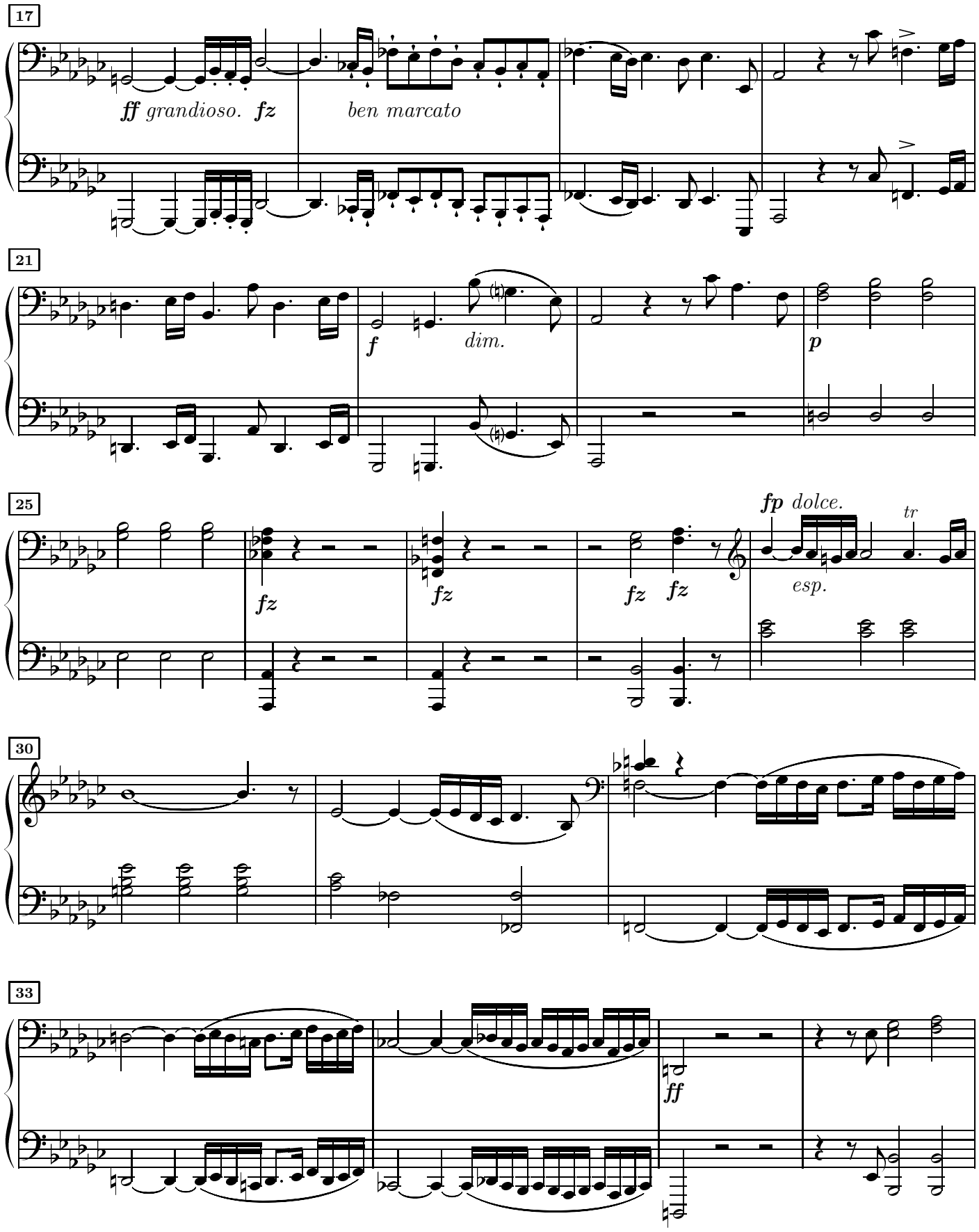


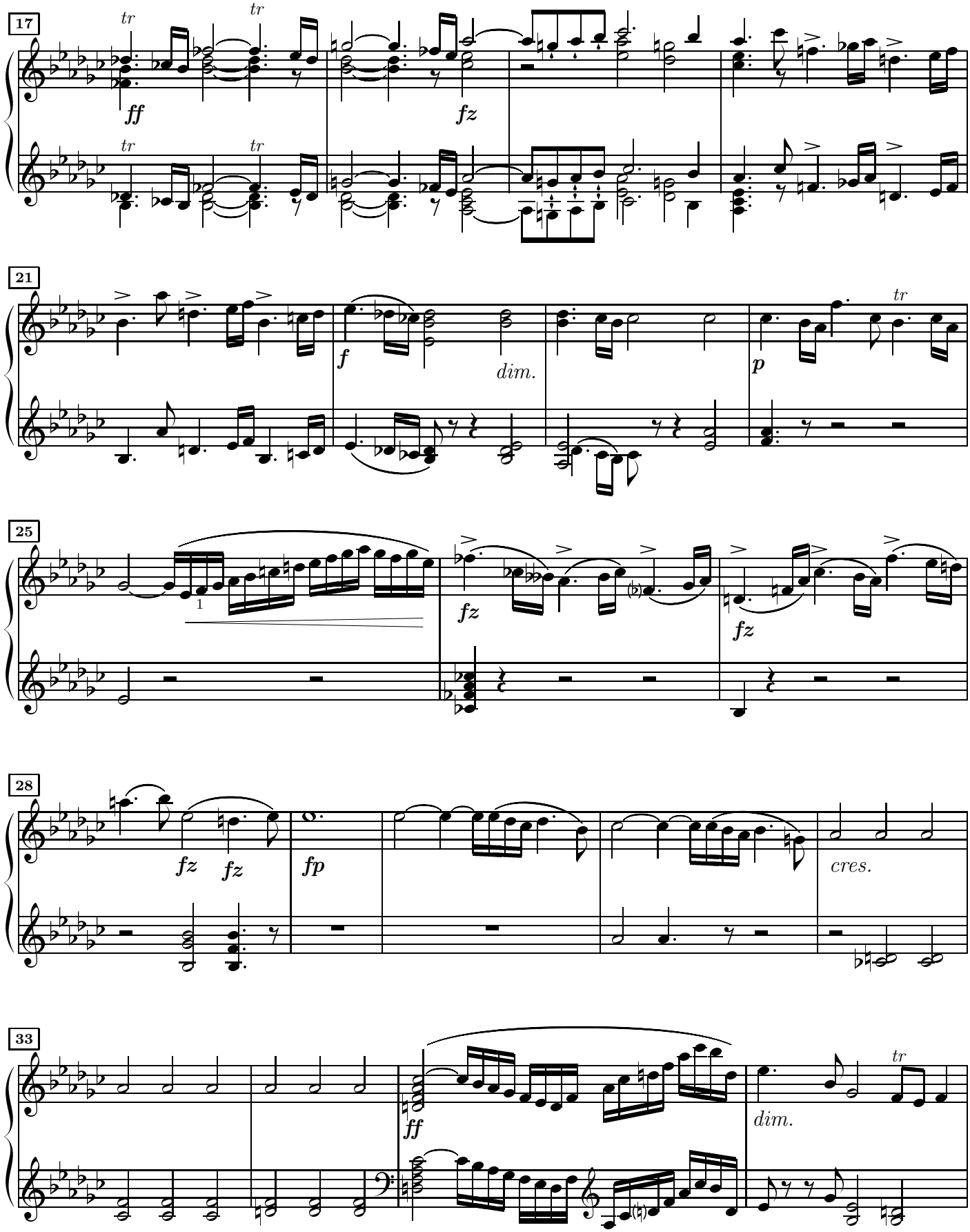
8.e en mi bémol mineur

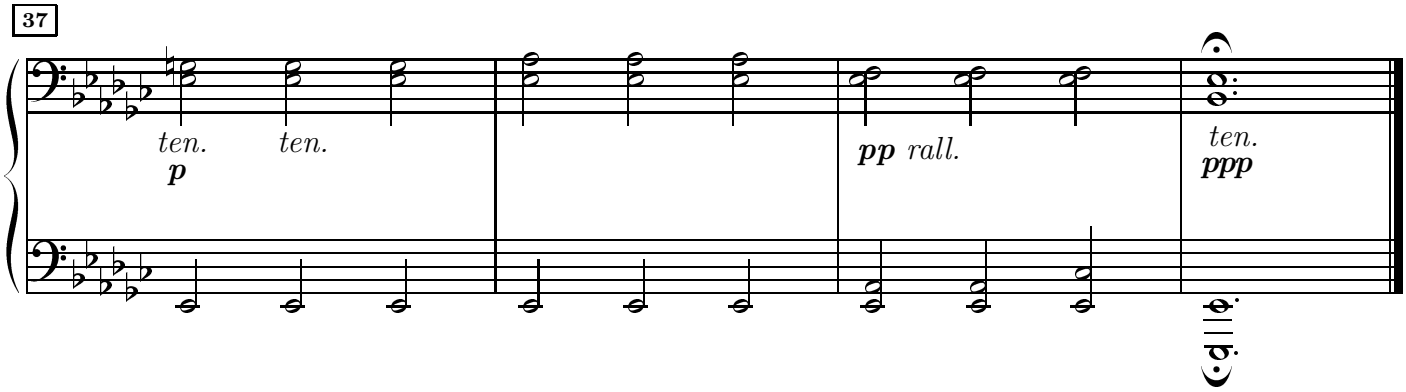
Prélude
Lento moderato.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini



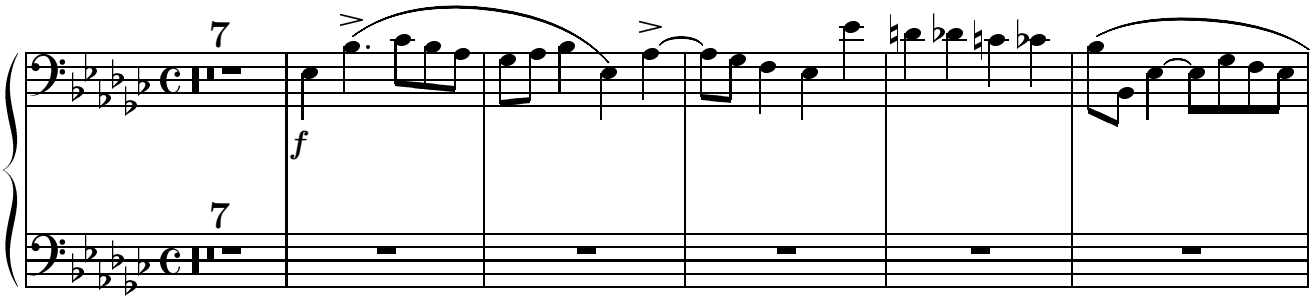

17
ff grandioso. fz
ben marcato
21
f
dim.
p
25
fz
fz
fz fz
fp dolce.
tr
esp.
30
33
ff

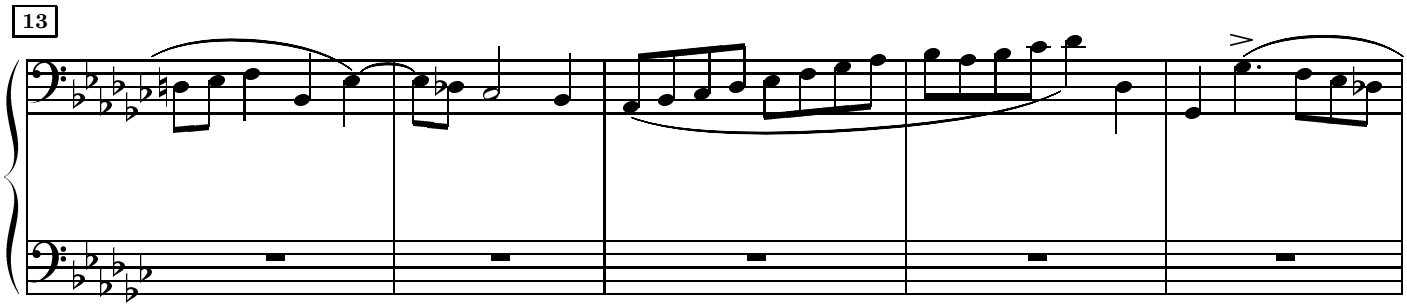

17
tr
tr
ff
fz
tr
tr
21
f
dim.
p
tr
25
1
fz
fz
28
fz
fz
fp
cres.
33
ff
dim.
tr

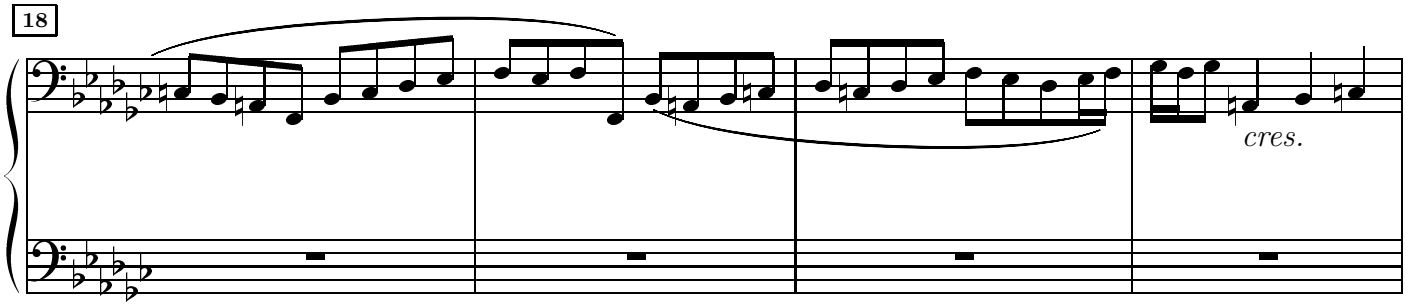


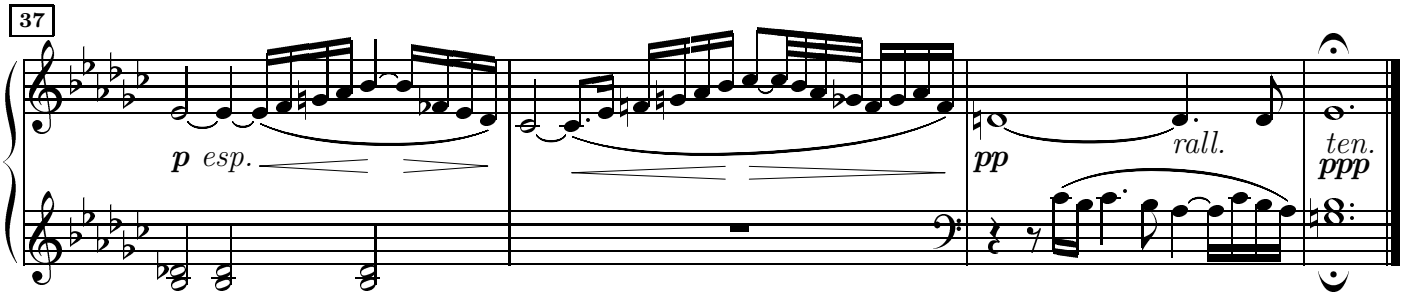
Fugue à 3 voix

Andante.



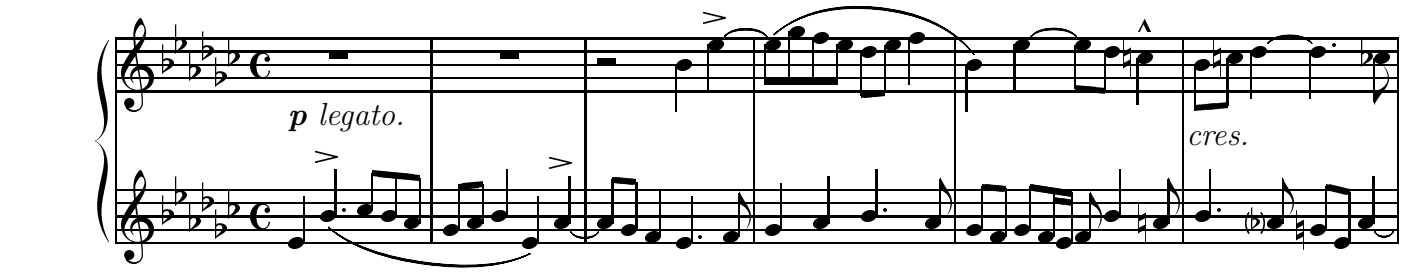


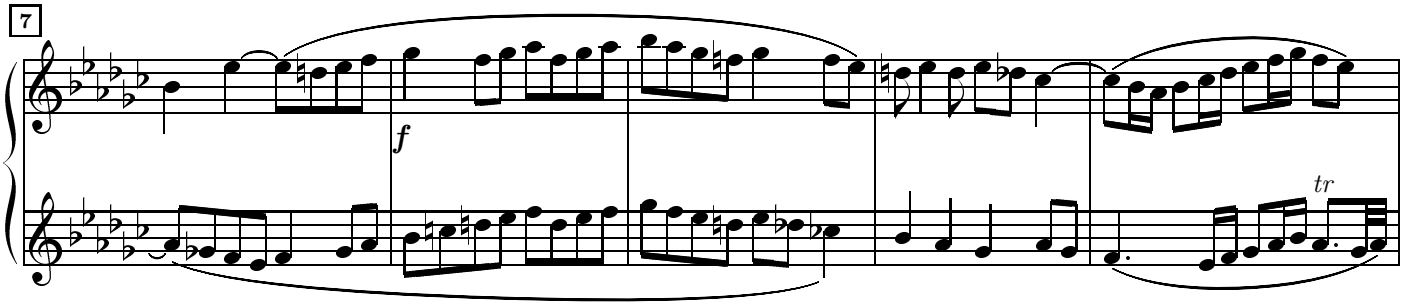


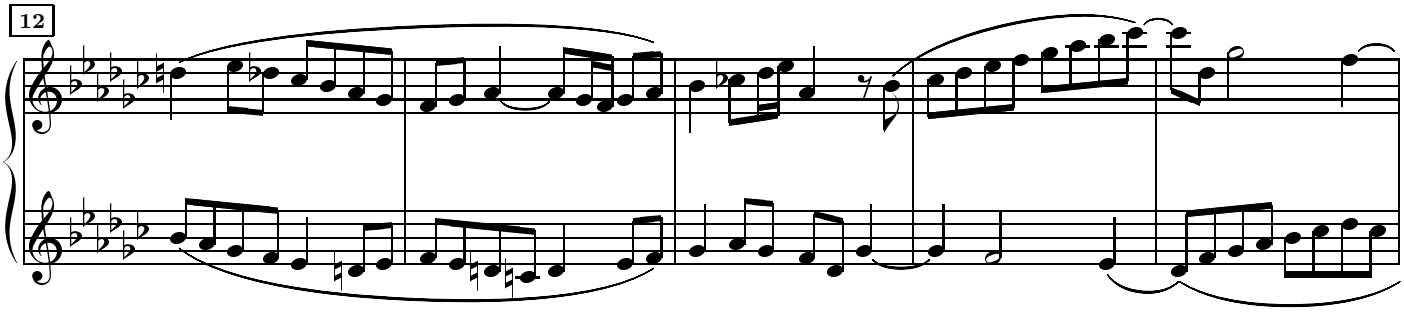


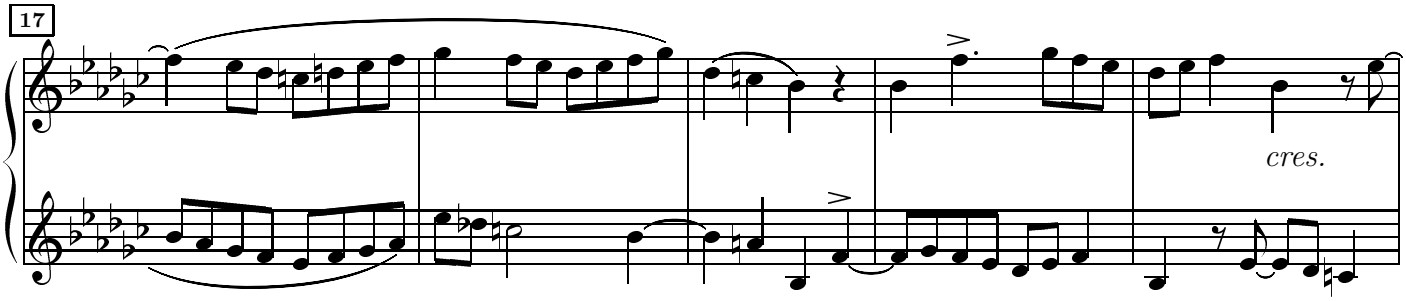
Fugue à 3 voix

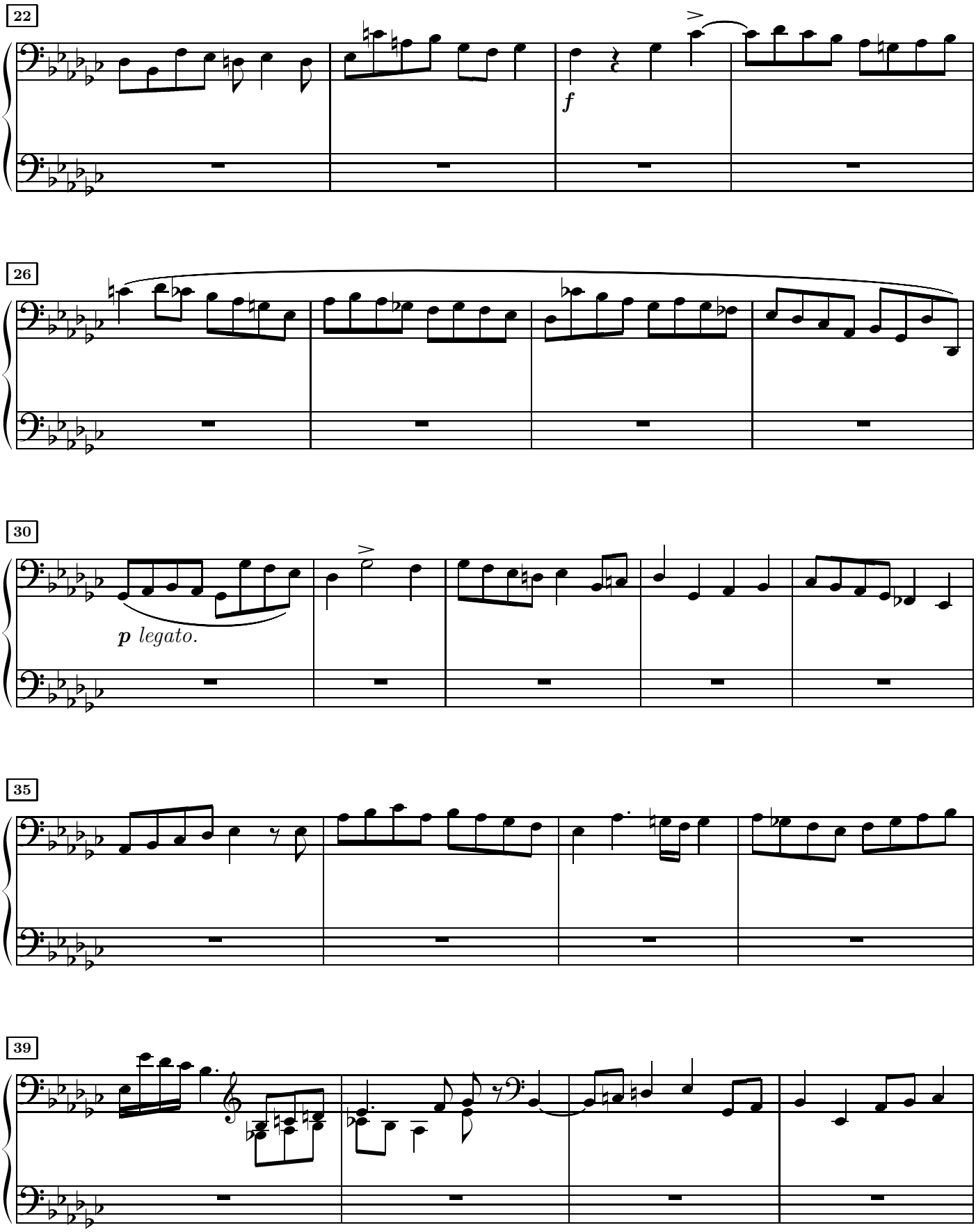
Andante.

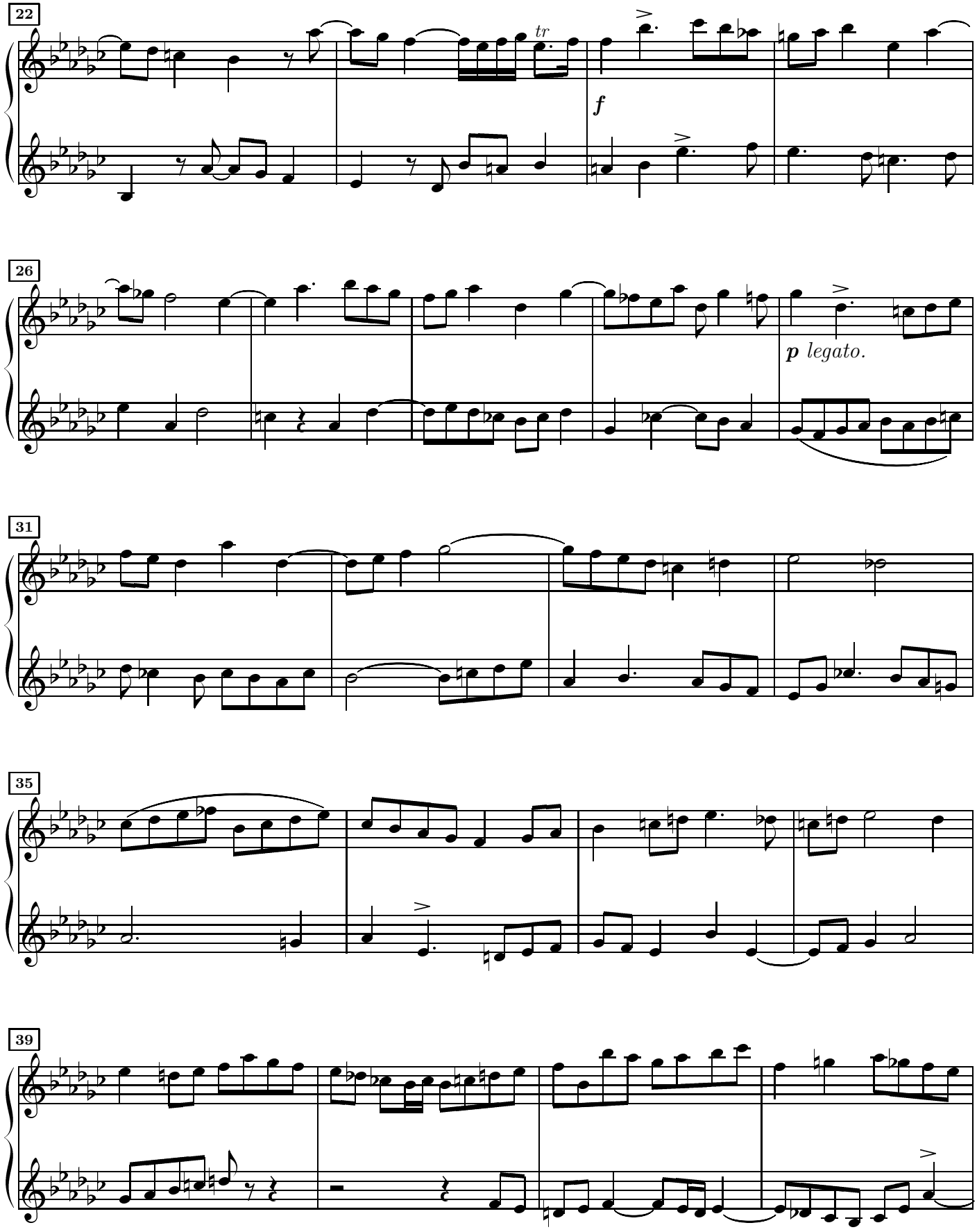


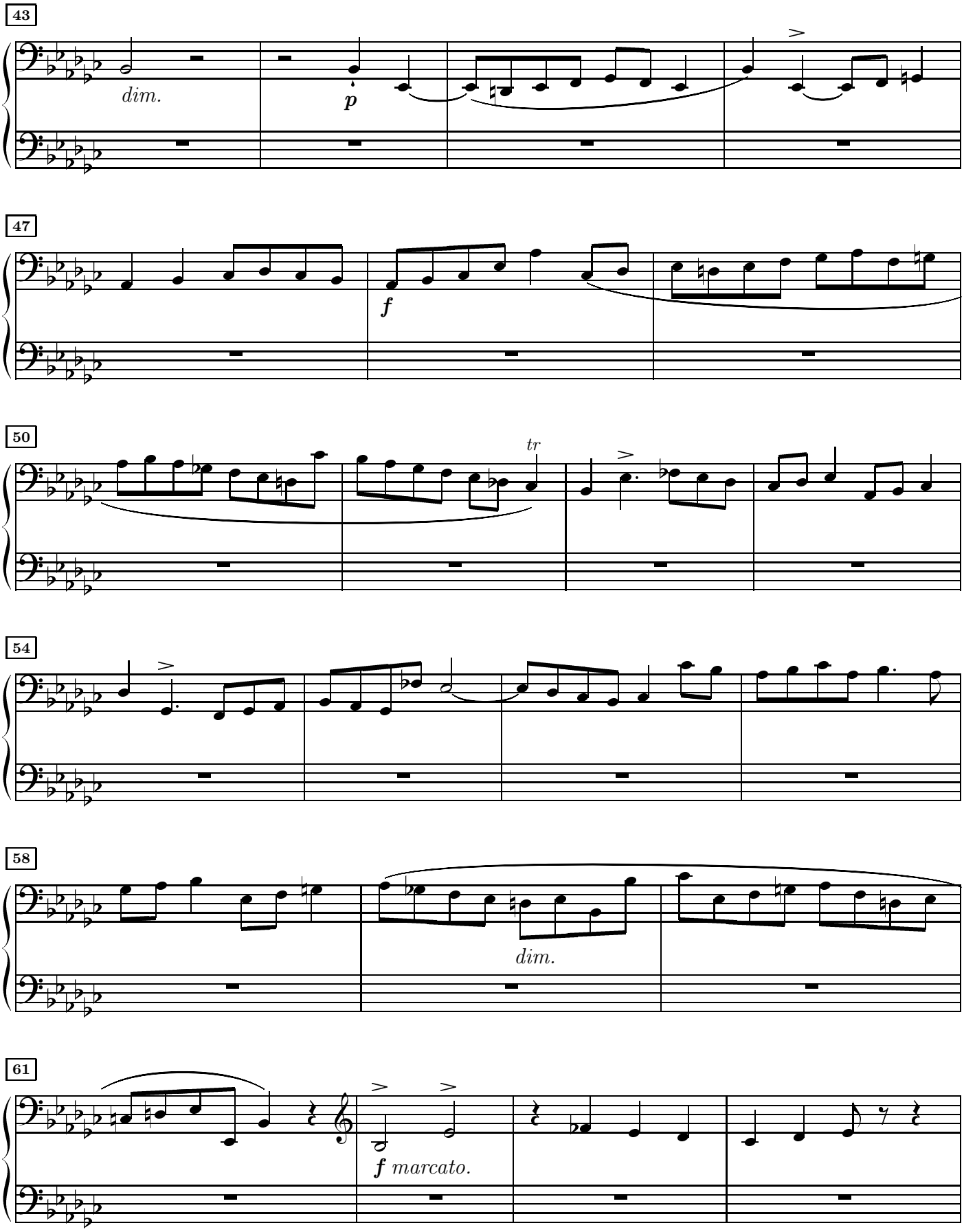


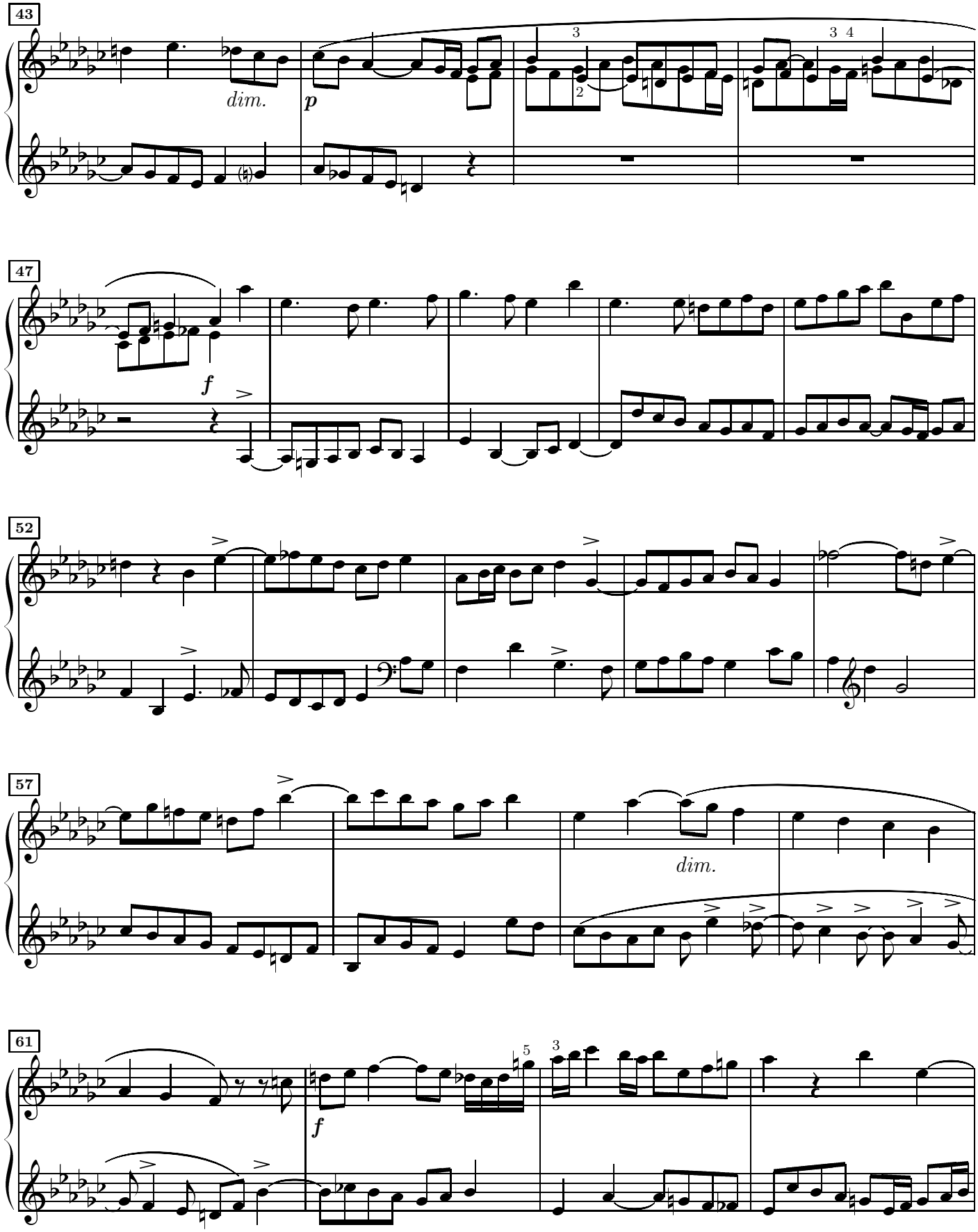


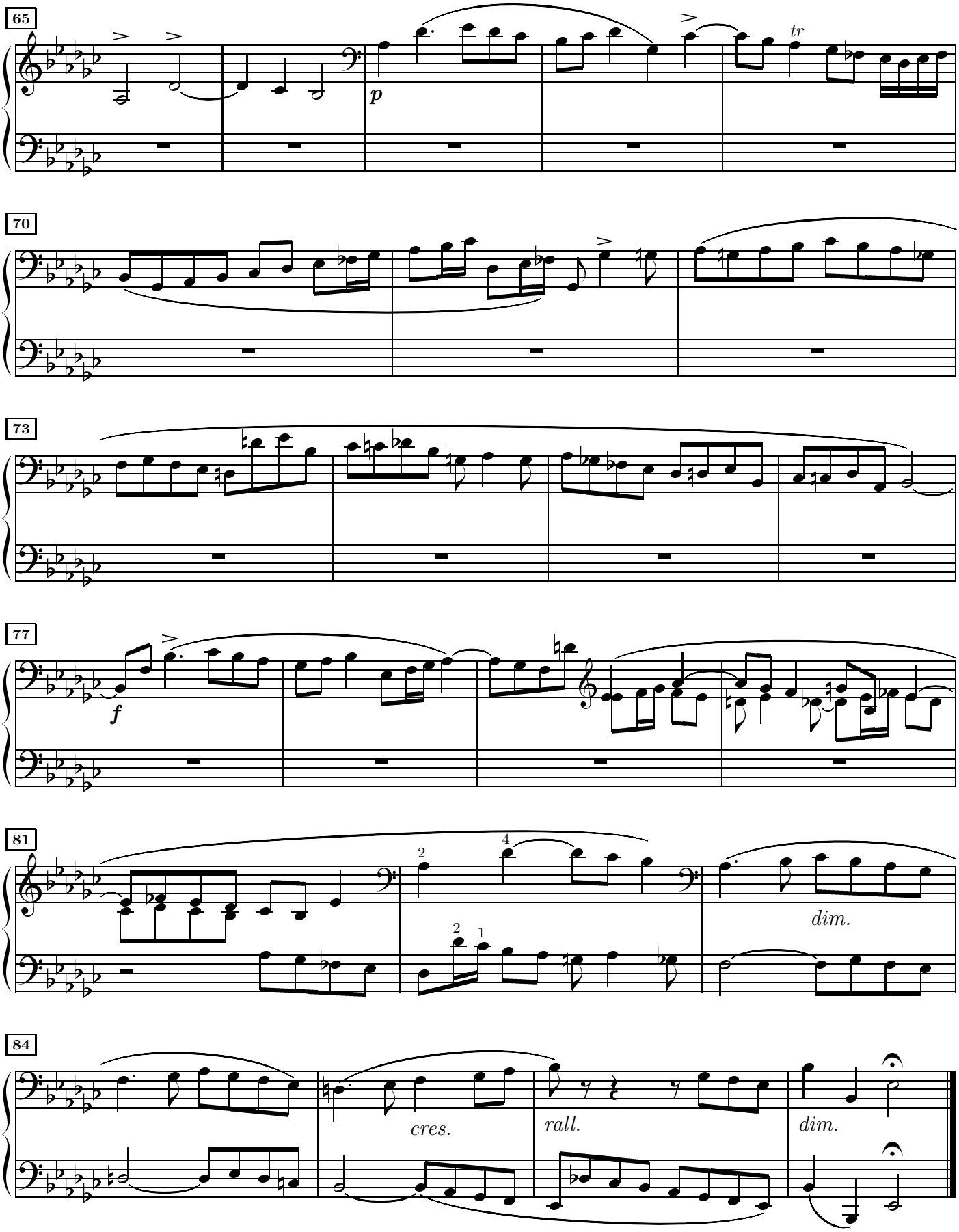


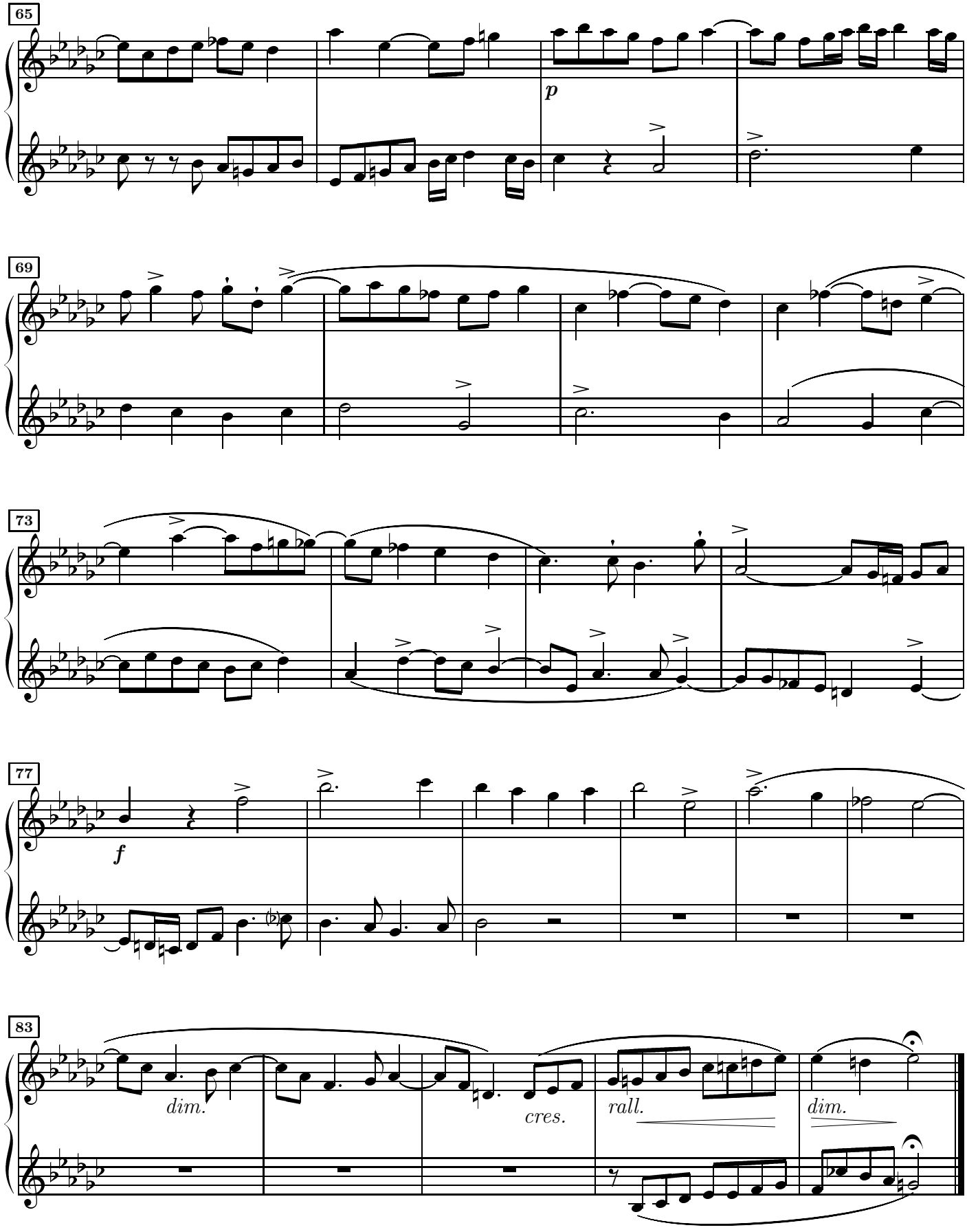

22
f
26
30
p legato.
35
39


22
tr
f
26
p legato.
31
35
39


43
dim.
p
47
f
50
tr
54
58
dim.
61
f marcato.


43
dim.
p
47
f
52
57
dim.
61
f

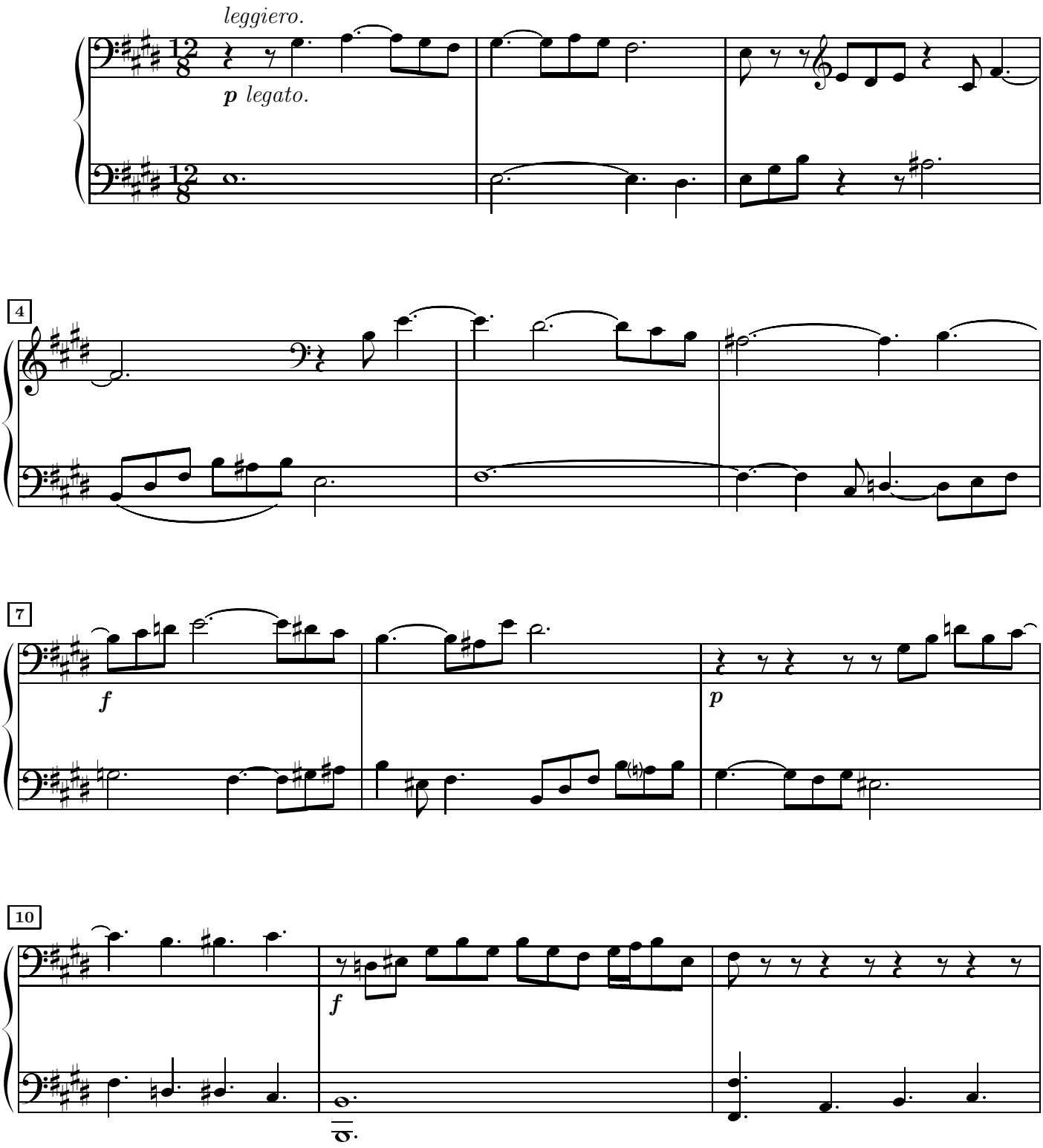

65
tr
p
70
73
77
f
81
2
4
2
1
dim.
84
cres.
rall.
dim.


65
p
69
73
77
f
83
dim.
cres.
rall.
dim.

9.e en mi majeur

Prélude
Allegretto.

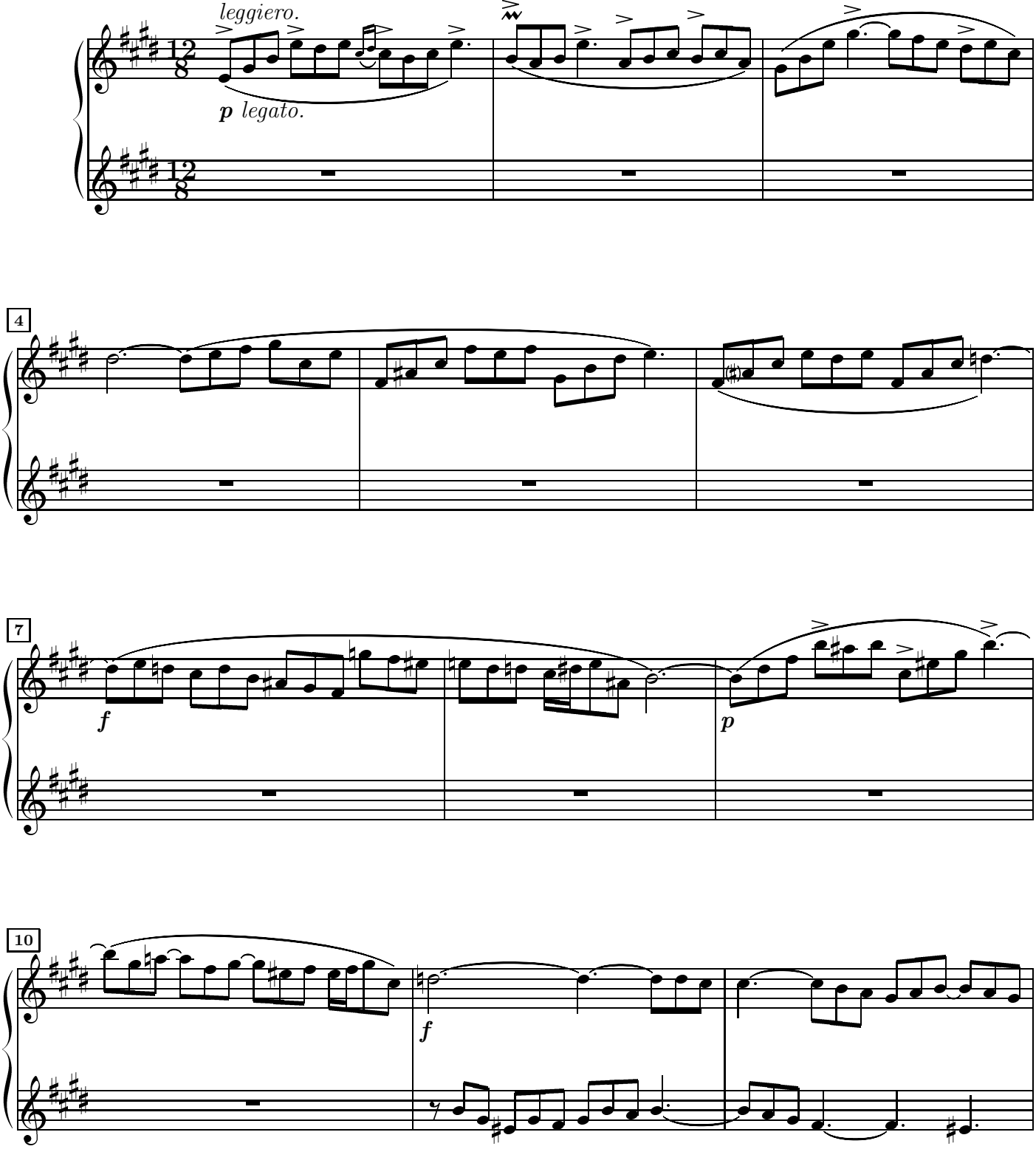
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

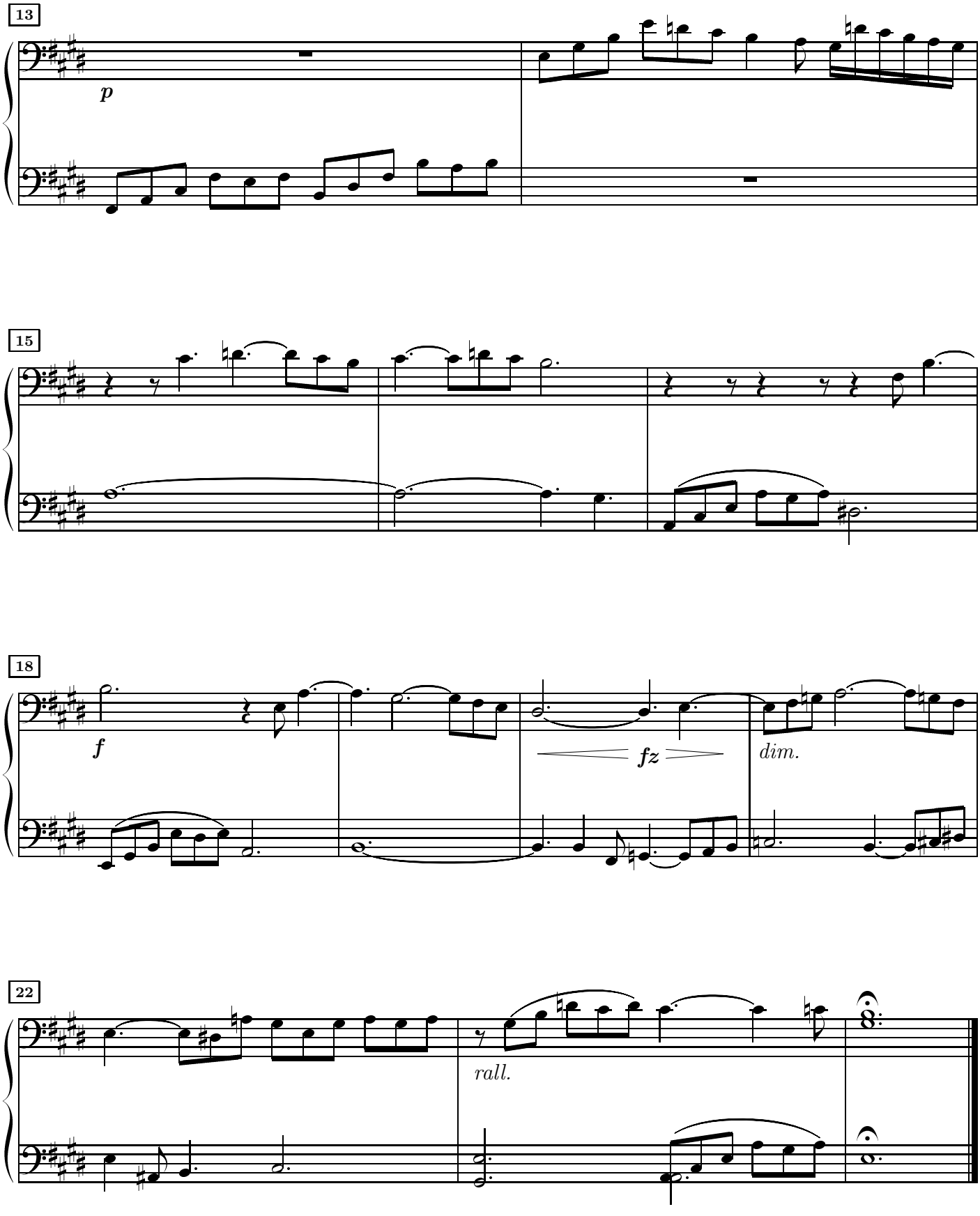


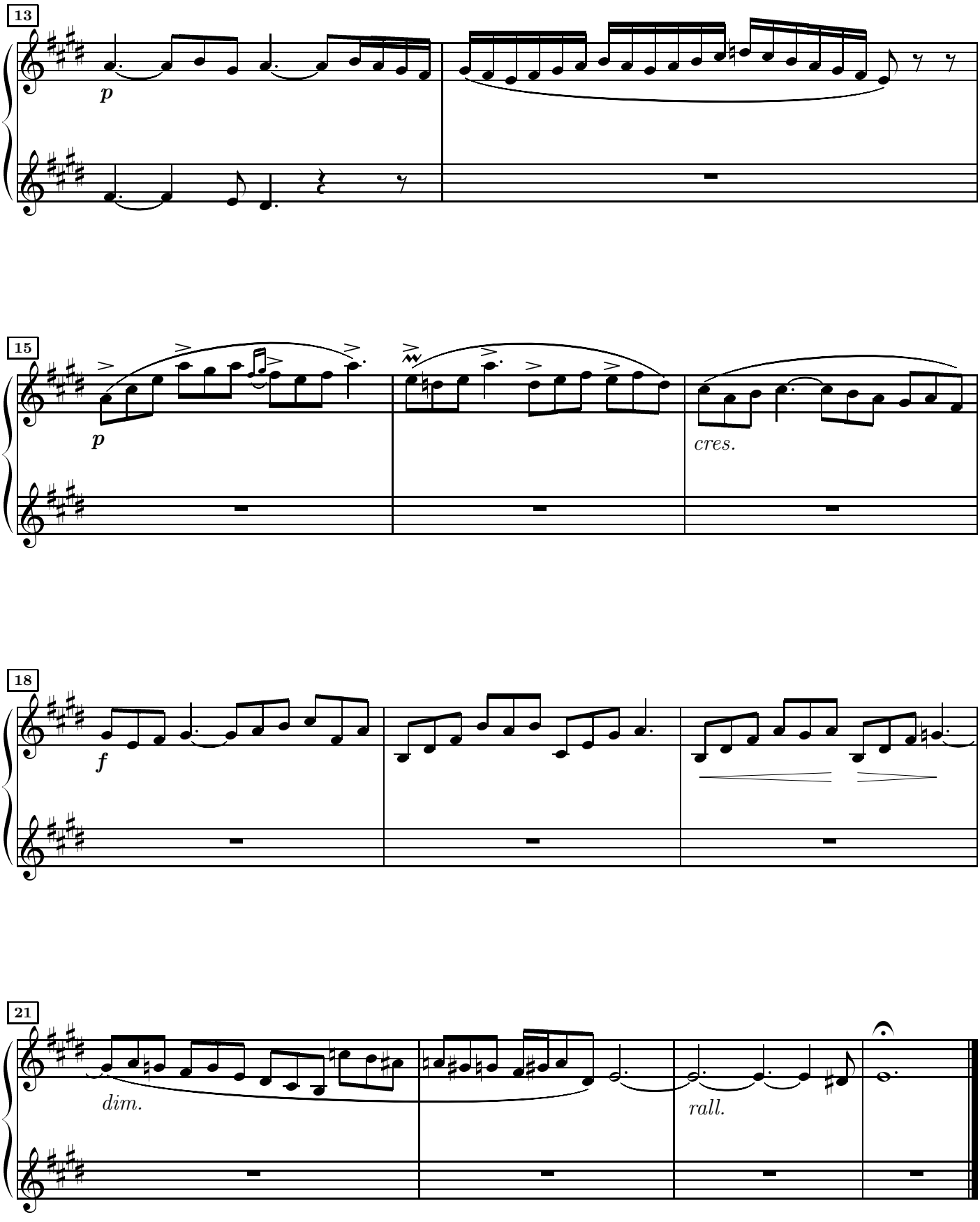
9.e en mi majeur

Prélude
Allegretto.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

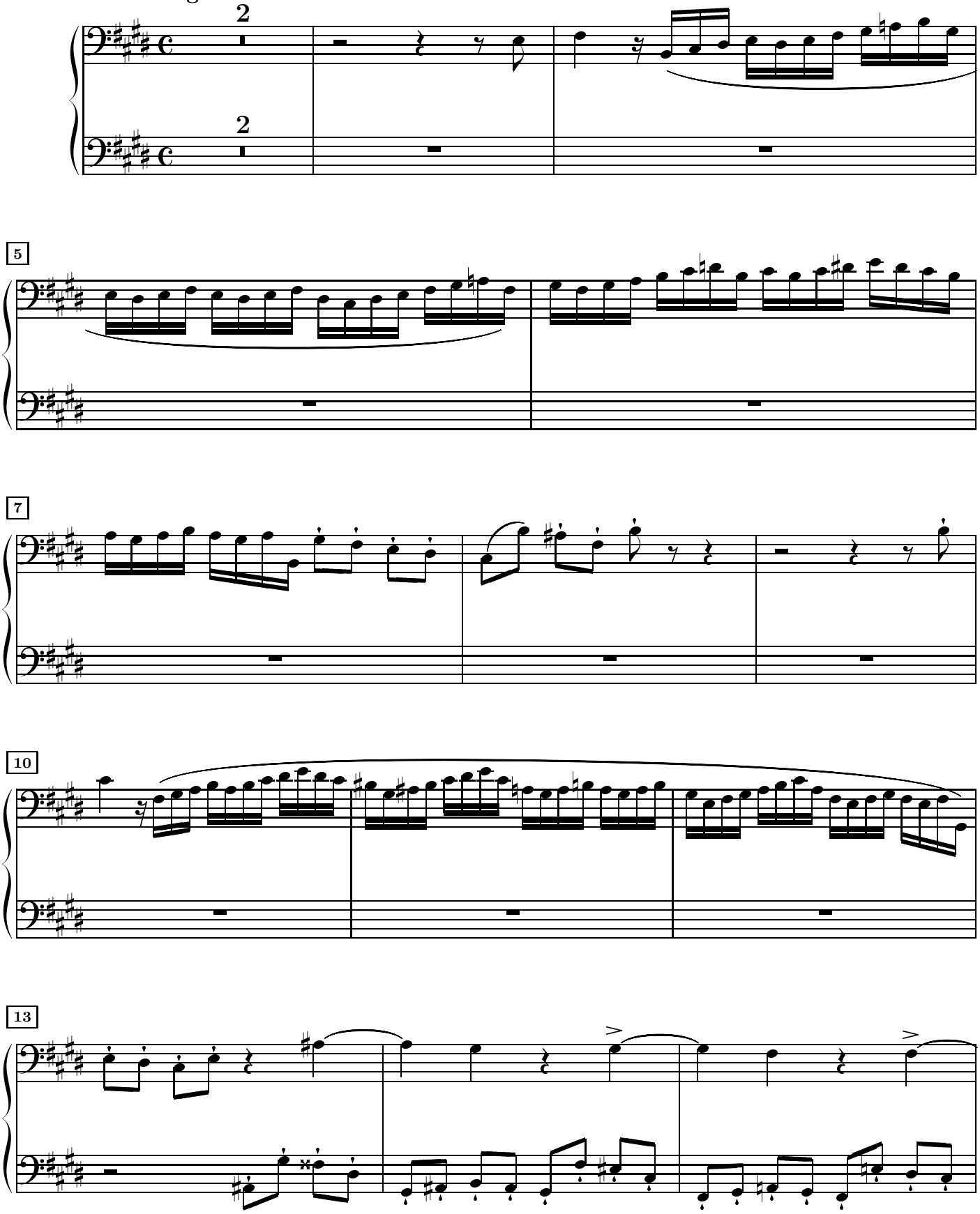



13
p
15
18
f
fz
dim.
22
rall.


13
p
15
p
cres.
18
f
21
dim.
rall.

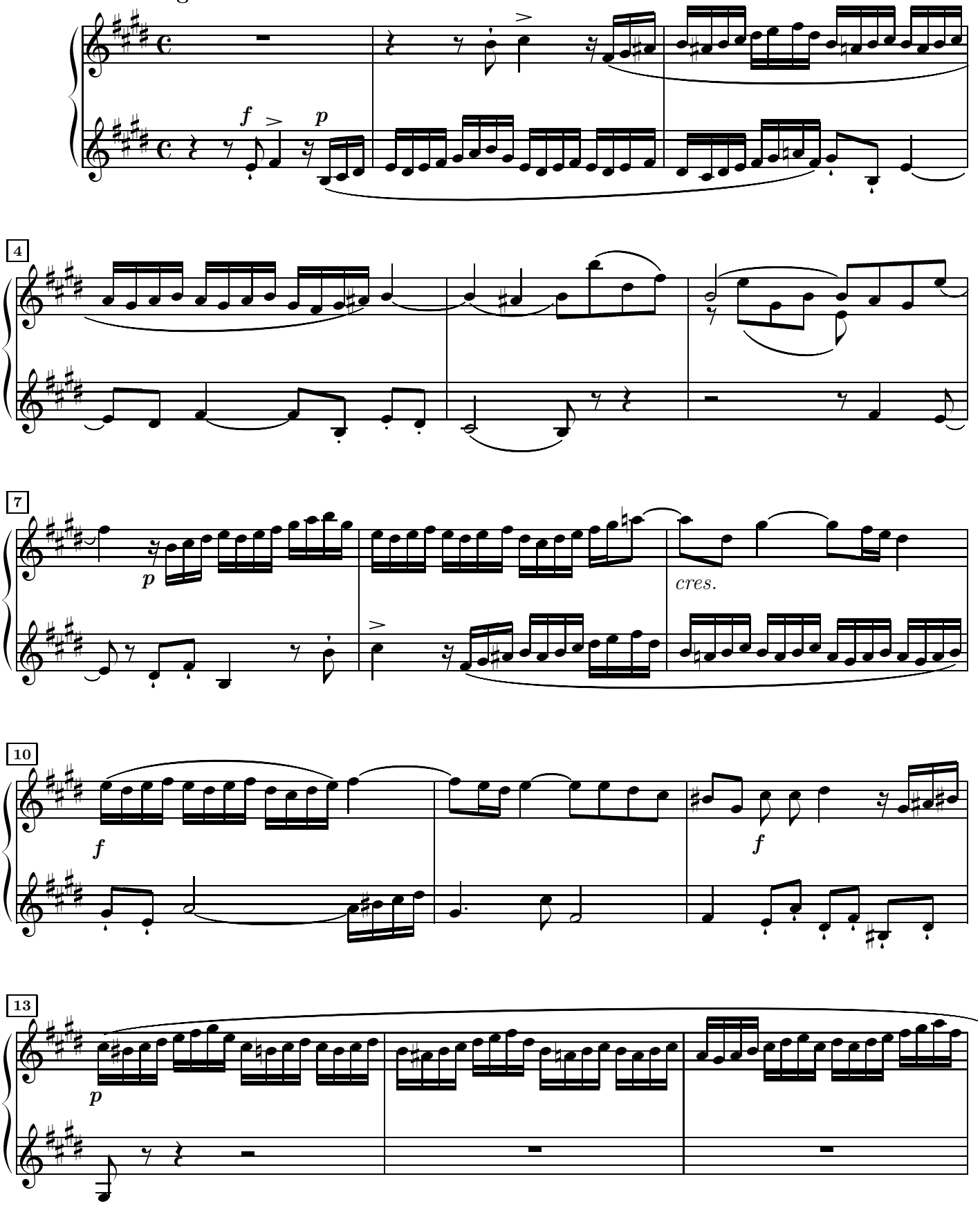
Fugue à 3 voix

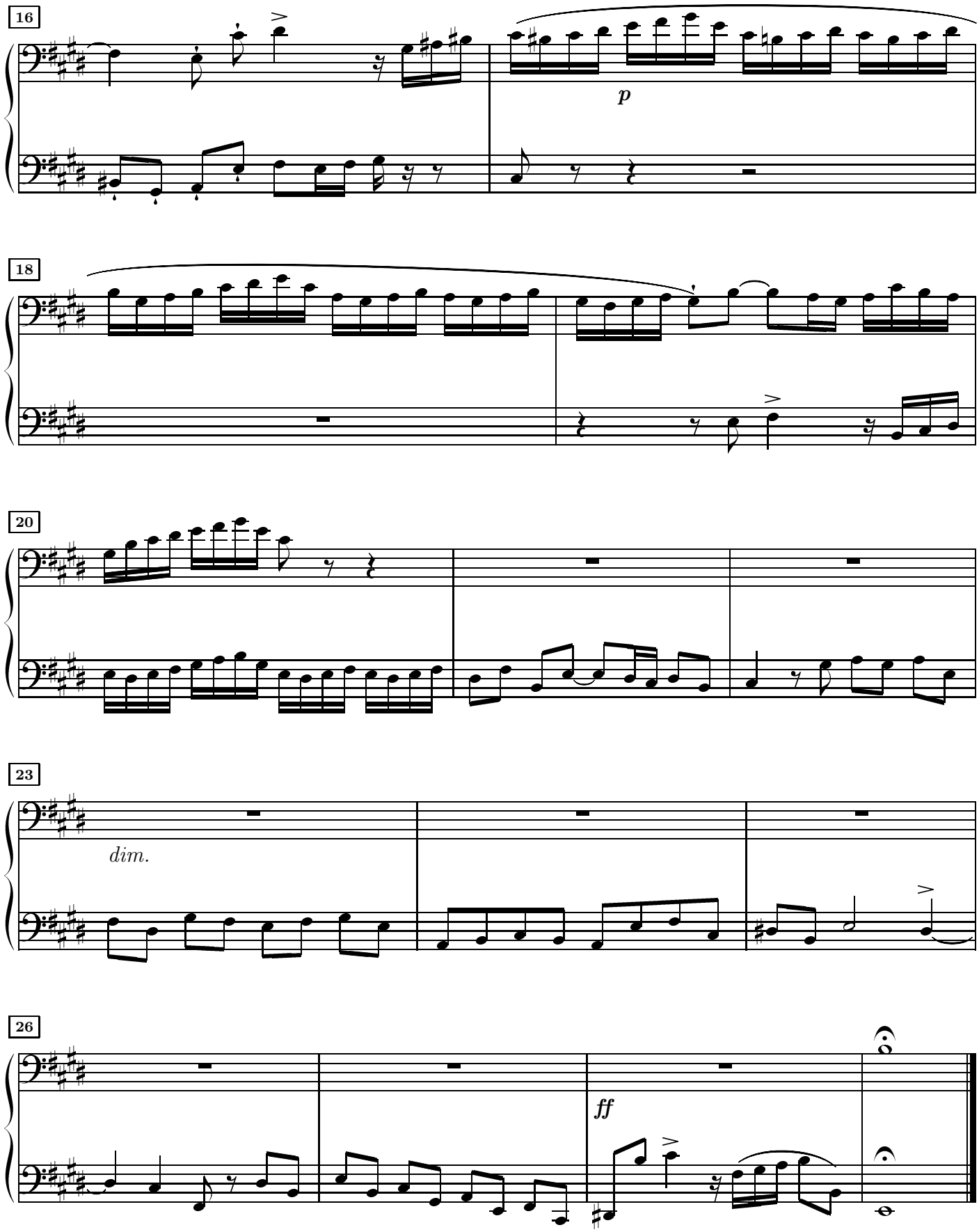
Allegro moderato.

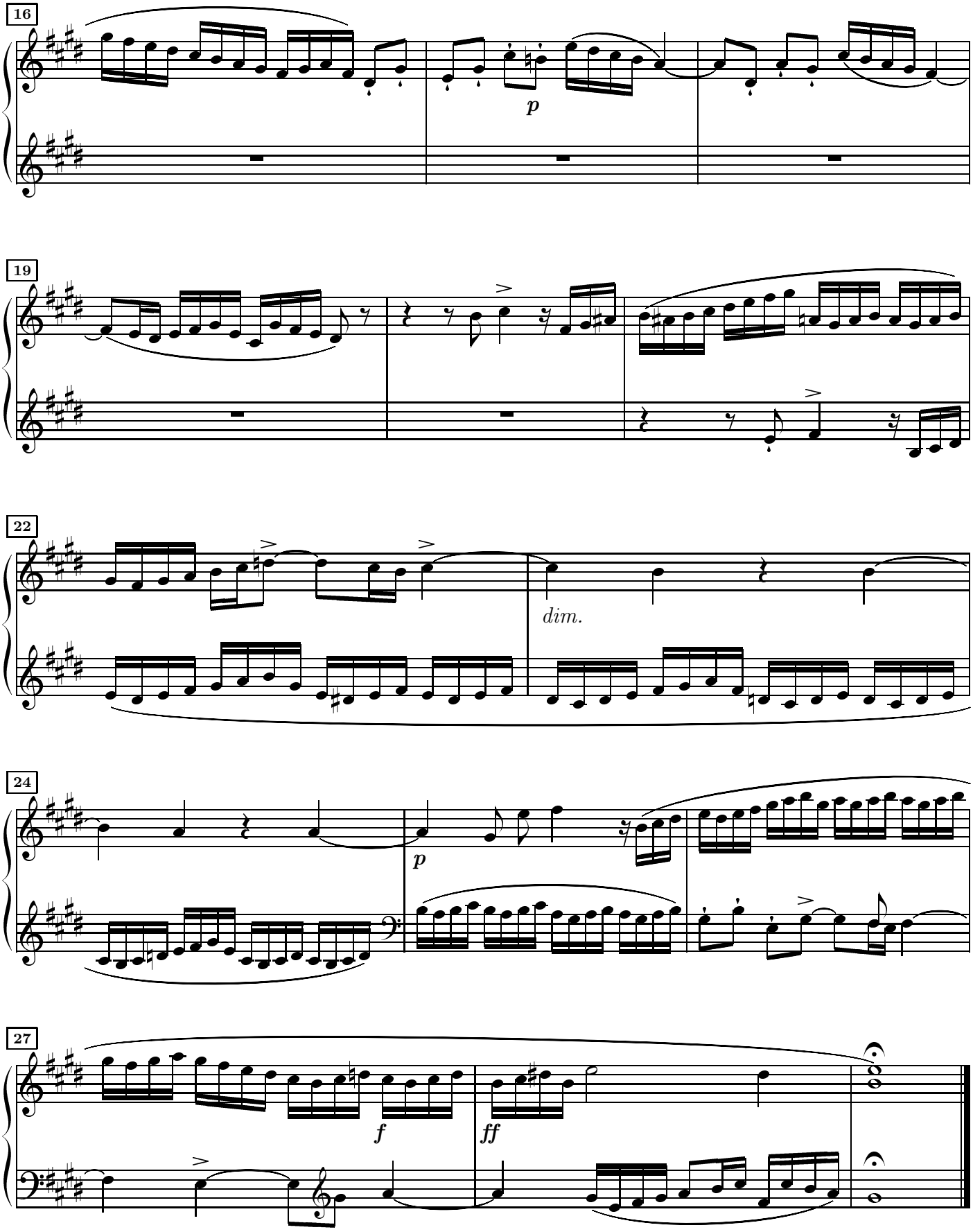


Fugue à 3 voix

Allegro moderato.



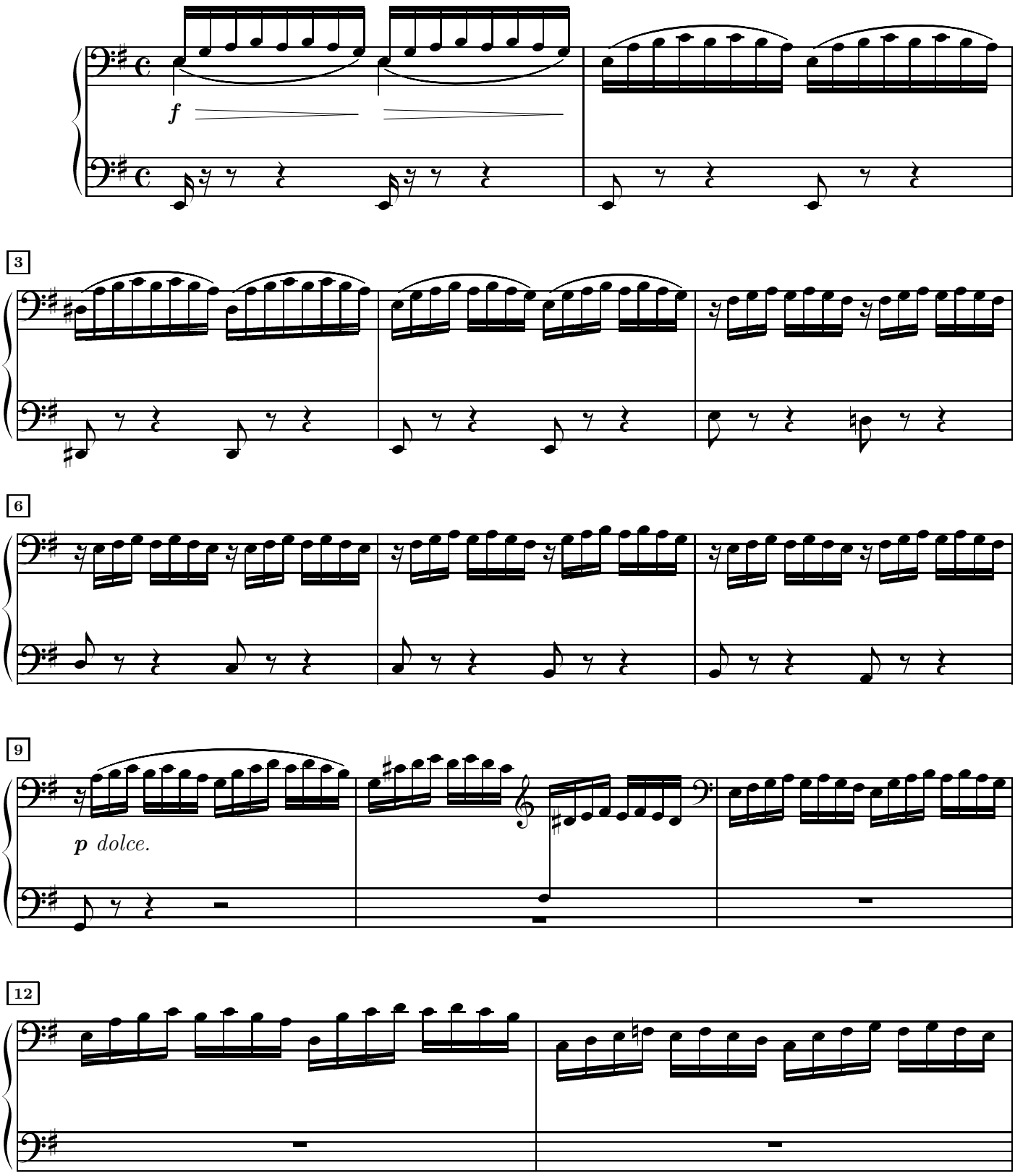

16
p
18
20
23
dim.
26
ff


16
p
19
22
dim.
24
p
27
f
ff

10.e en mi mineur

Prélude
Allegro molto moderato.

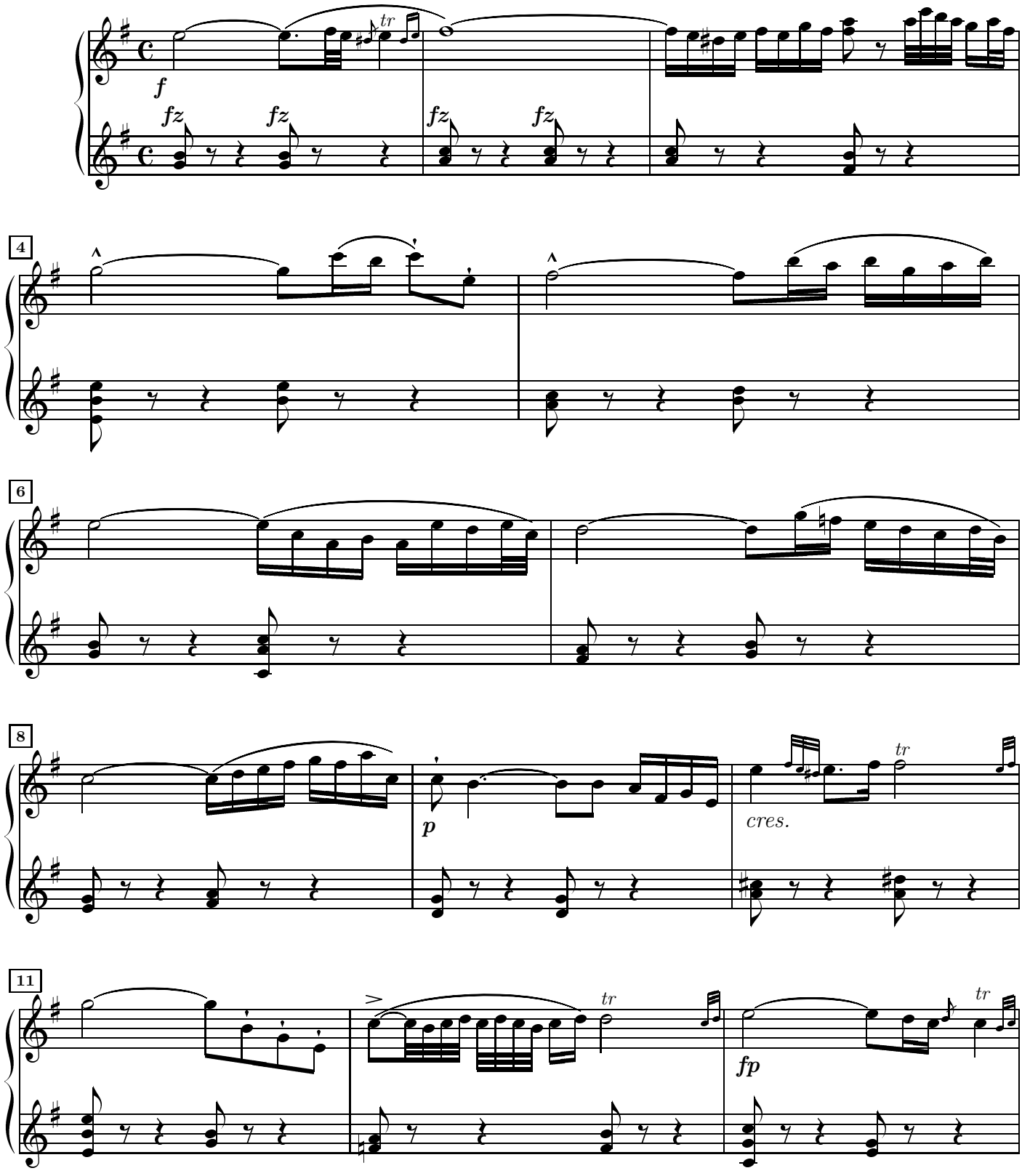
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

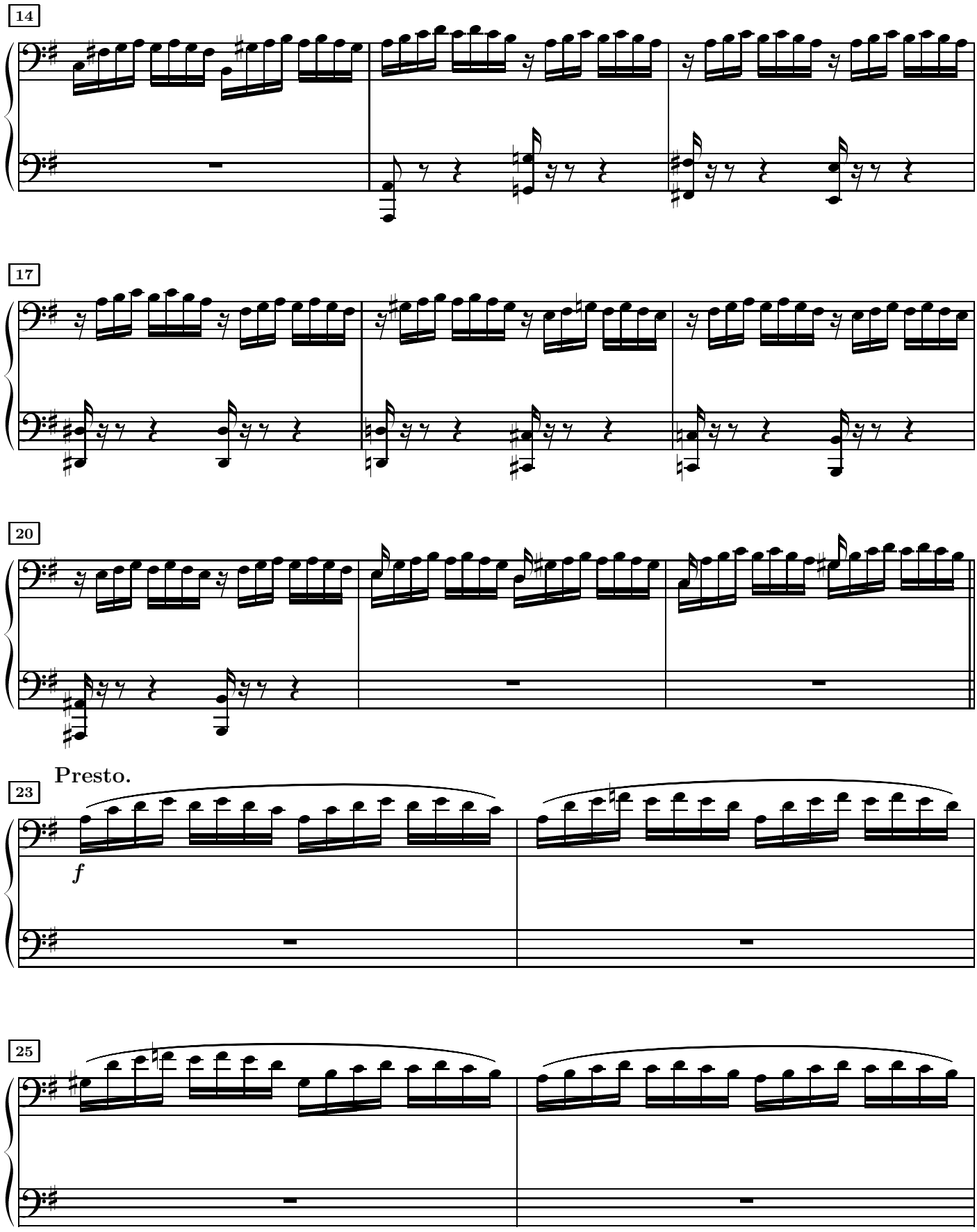


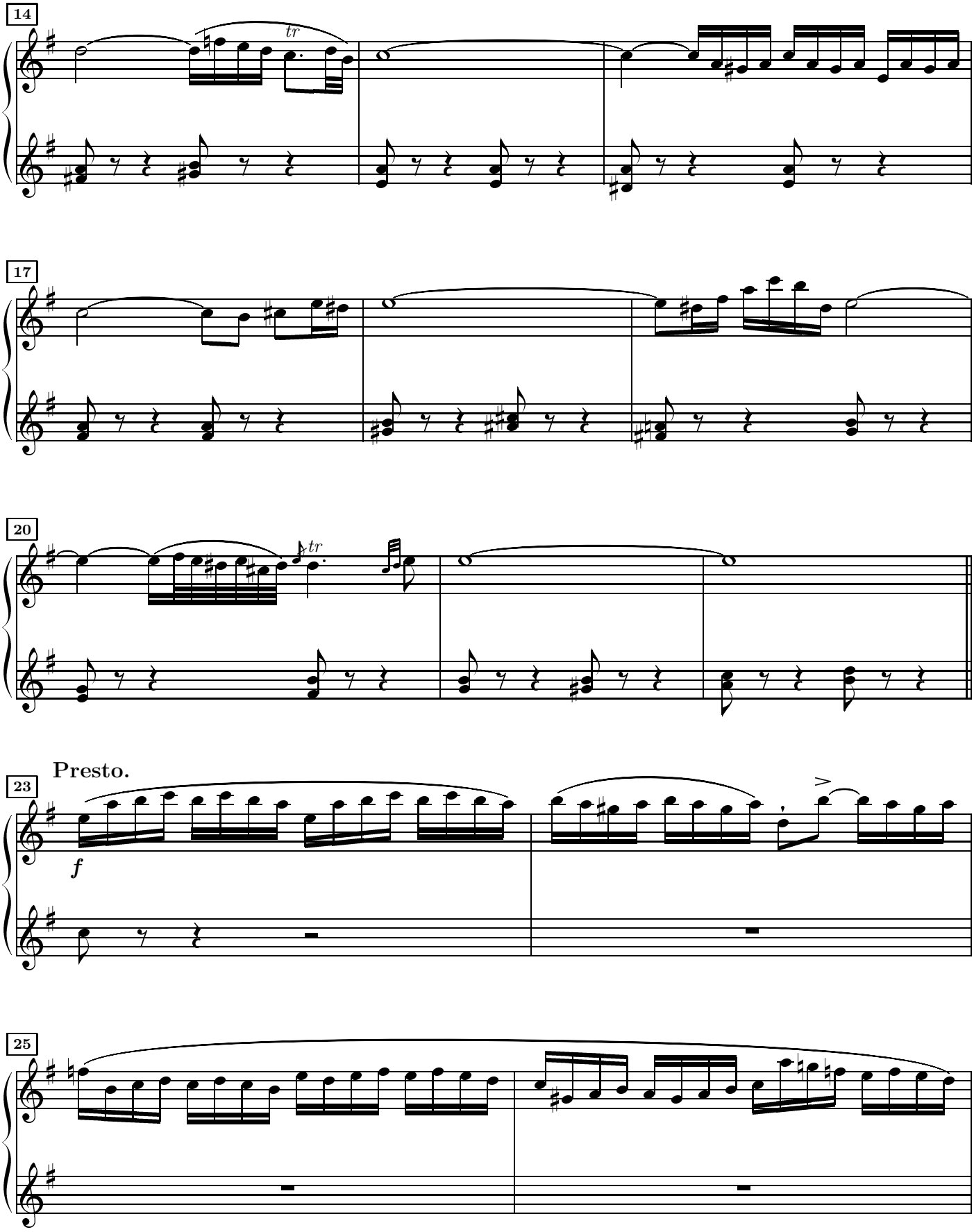
10.e en mi mineur

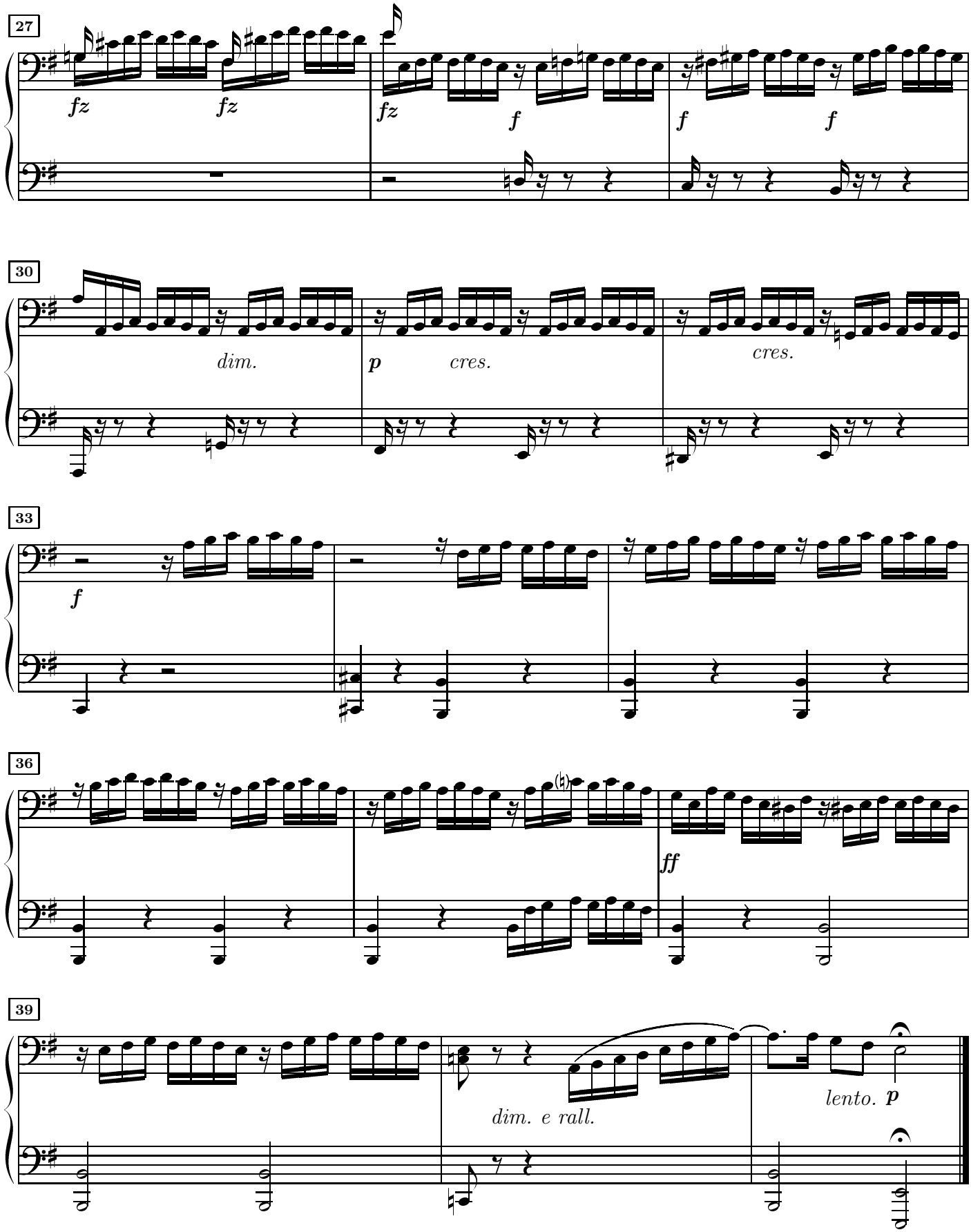
Prélude
Allegro molto moderato.

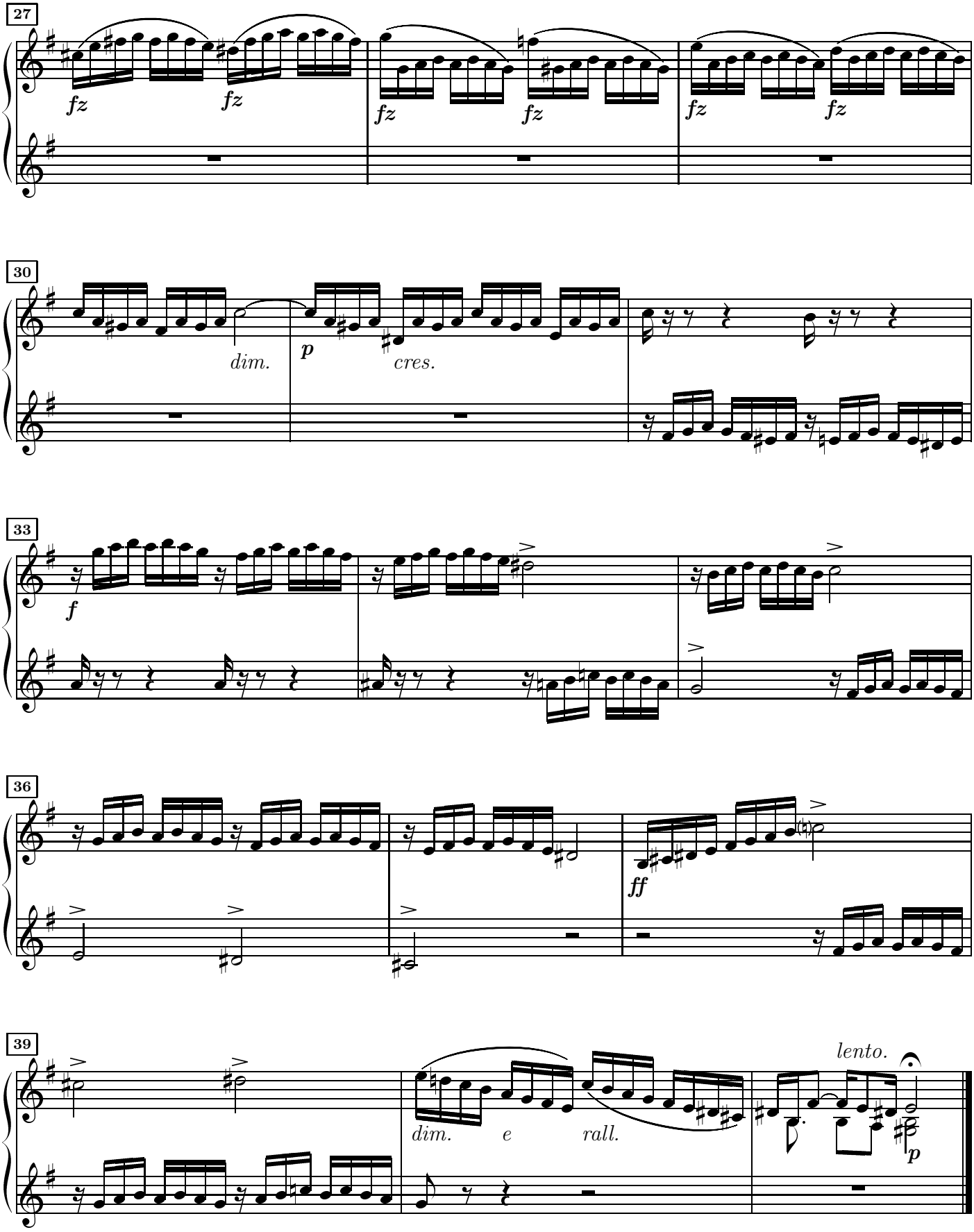
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini




14
17
20
Presto.
23
f
25

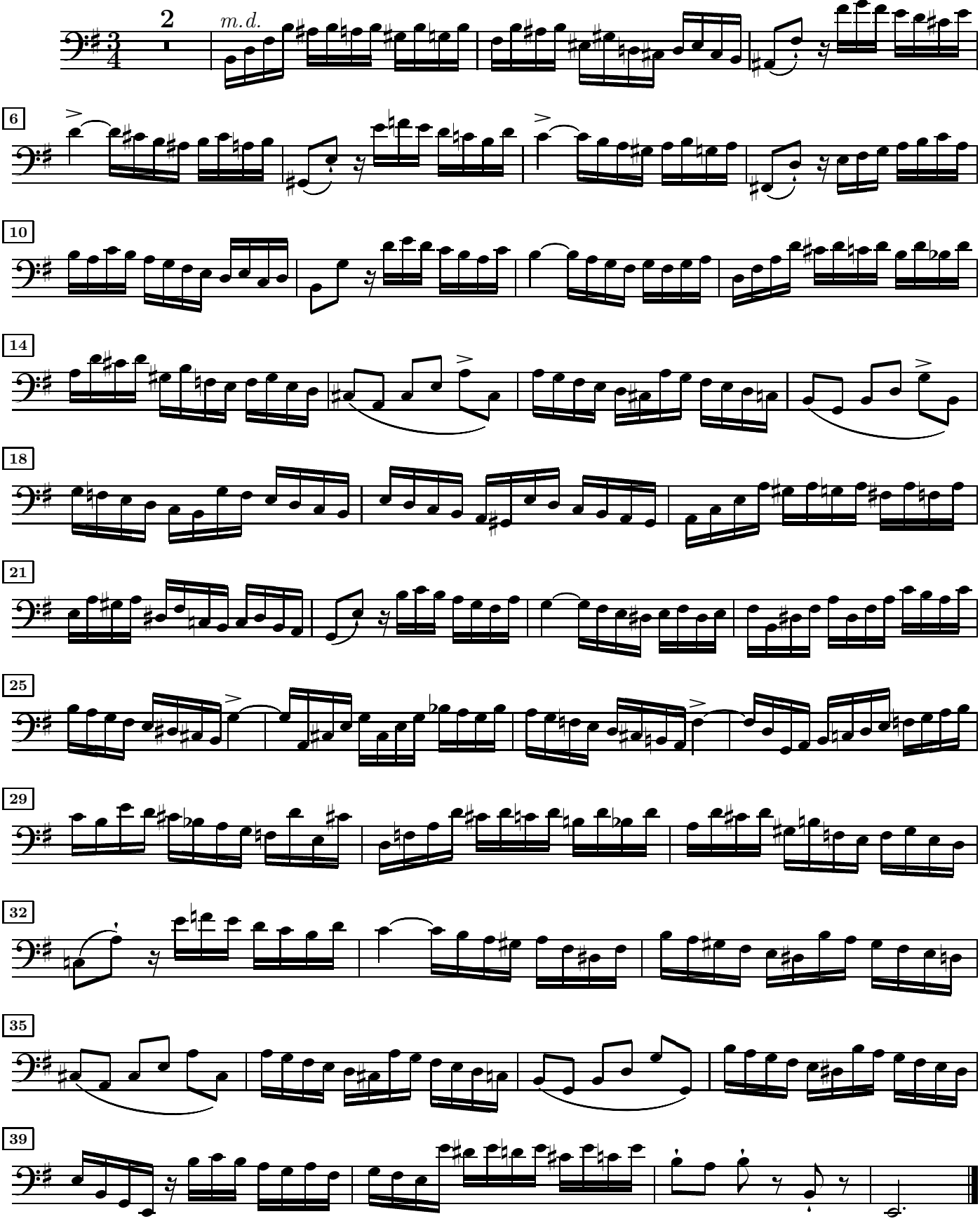

14
tr
17
20
tr
Presto.
23
f
25


27
fz
fz
fz
f
f
f
30
dim.
p
cres.
cres.
33
f
36
ff
39
dim. e rall.
lento.
p


27
fz
fz
fz
fz
fz
fz
30
dim.
p
cres.
33
f
36
ff
39
dim.
e
rall.
lento.
p

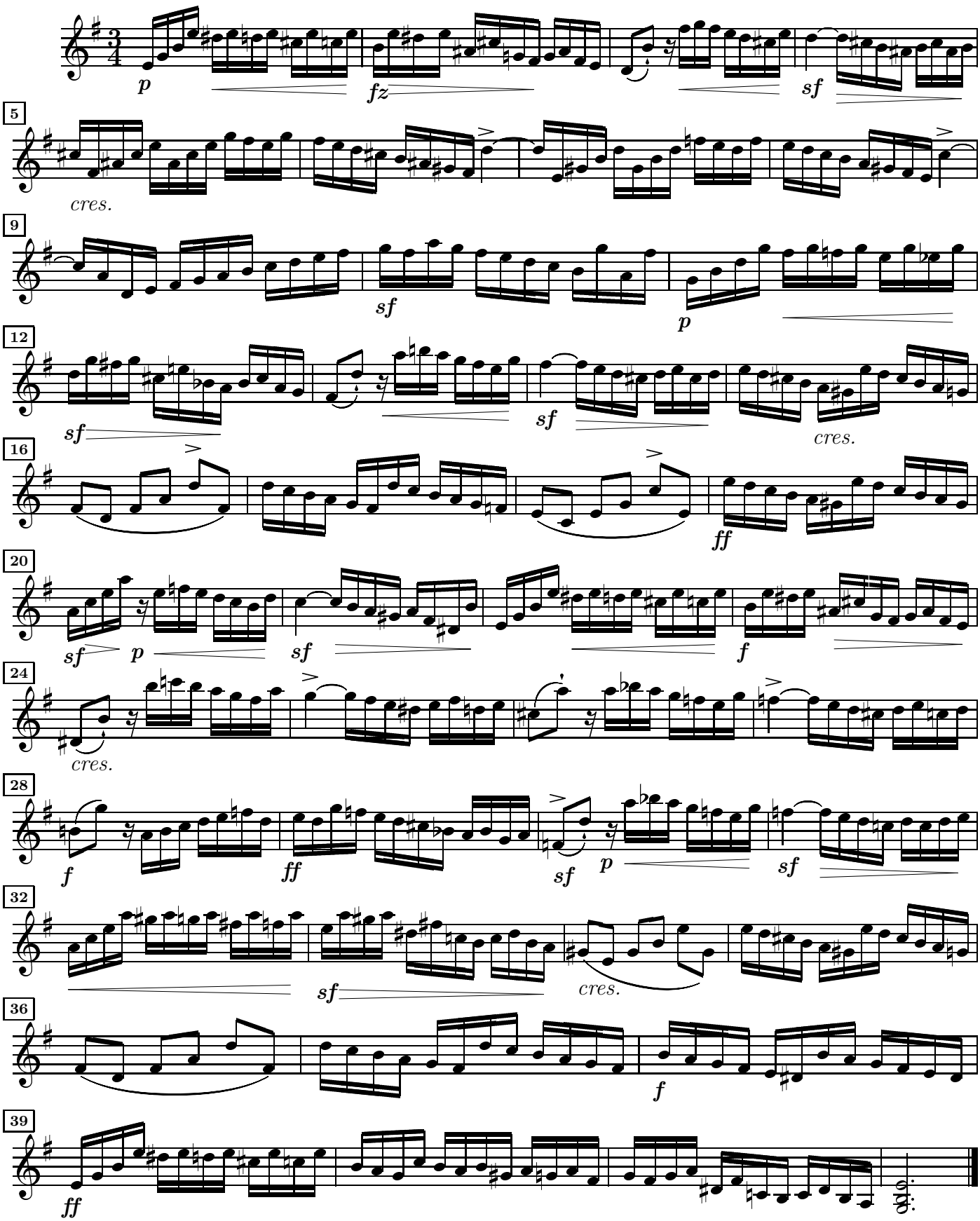
Fugue à 2 voix

Allegro.



Fugue à 2 voix

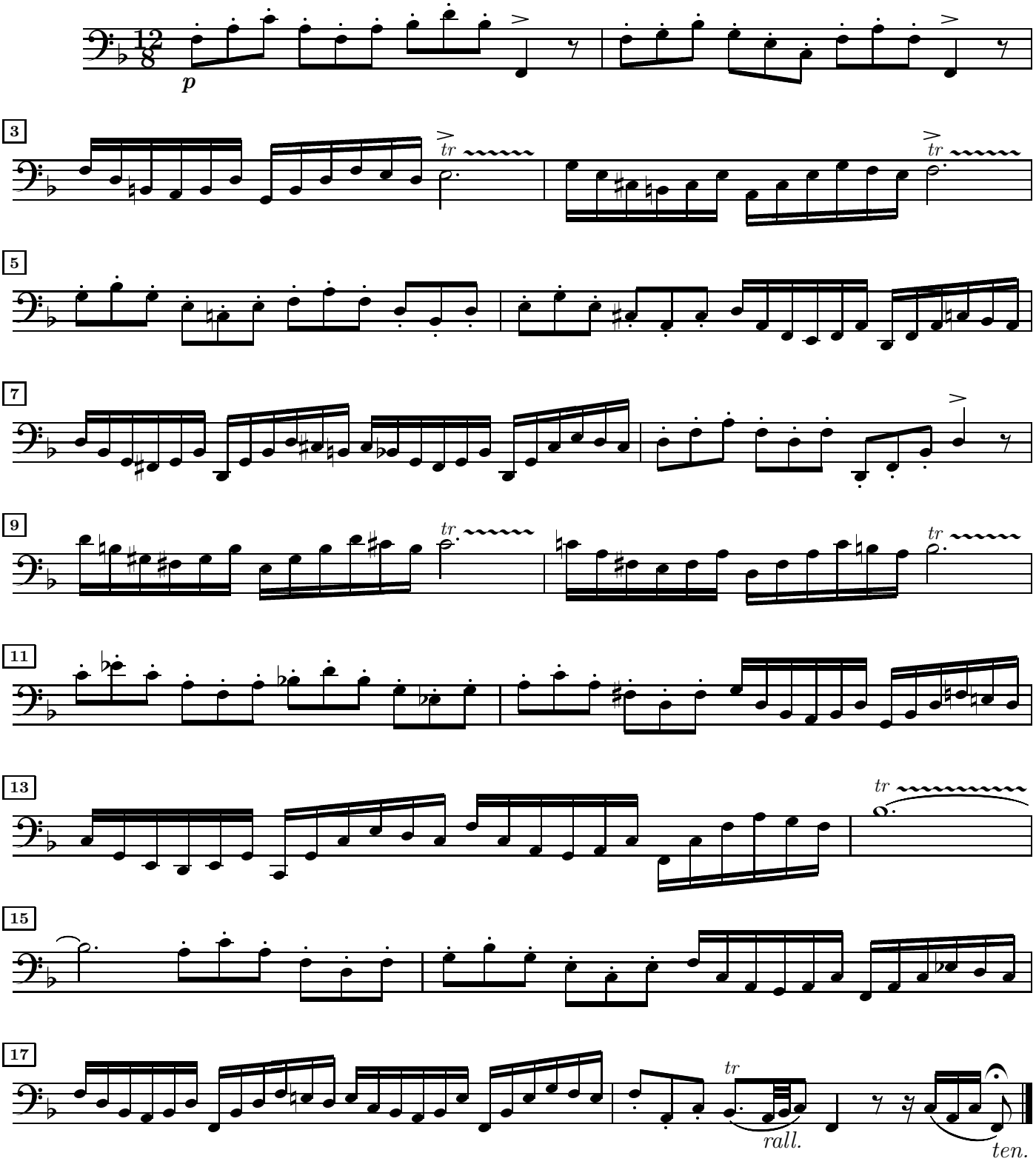
Allegro.



11.e en fa majeur

Prélude
Vivace.

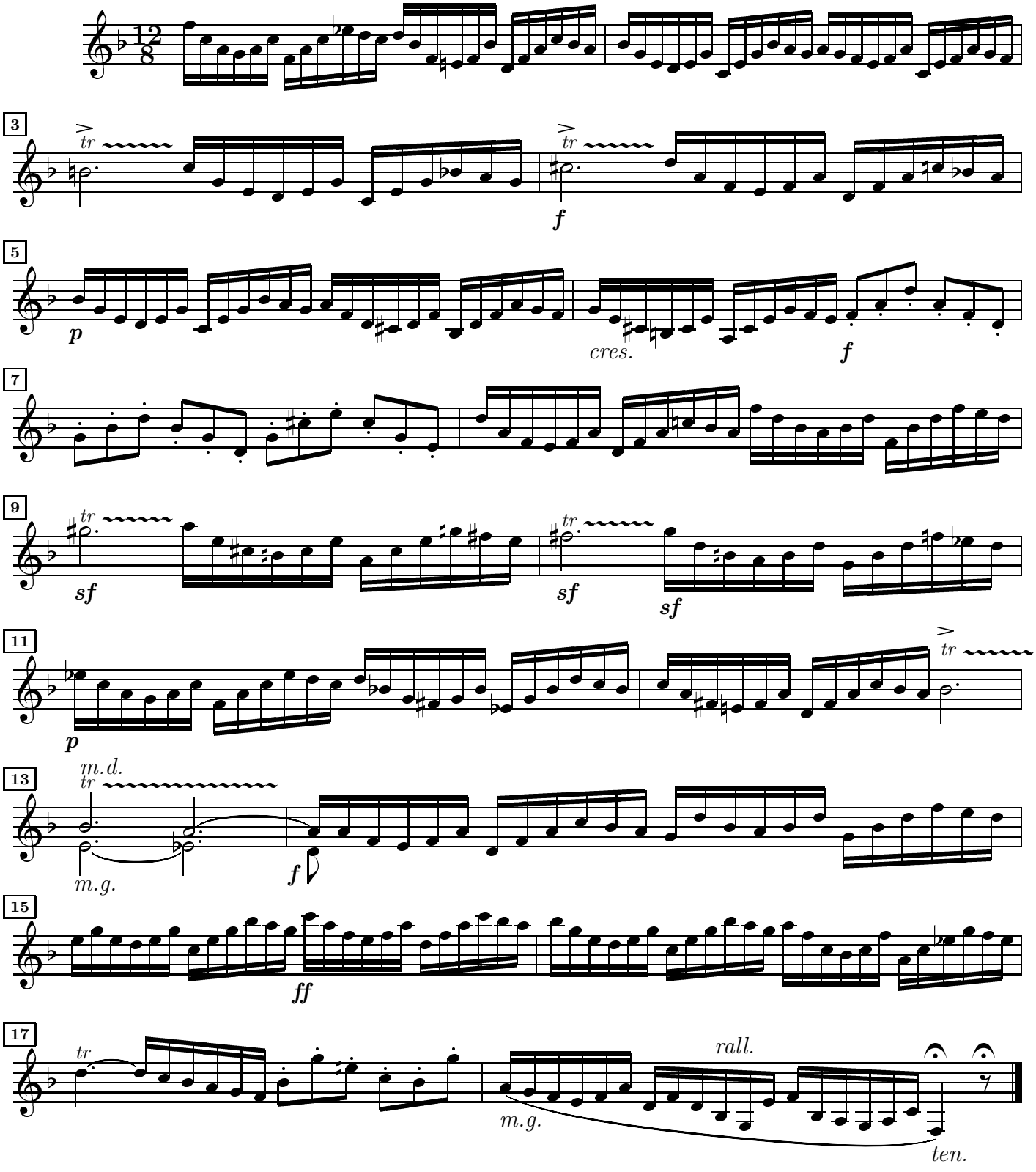
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini



11.e en fa majeur

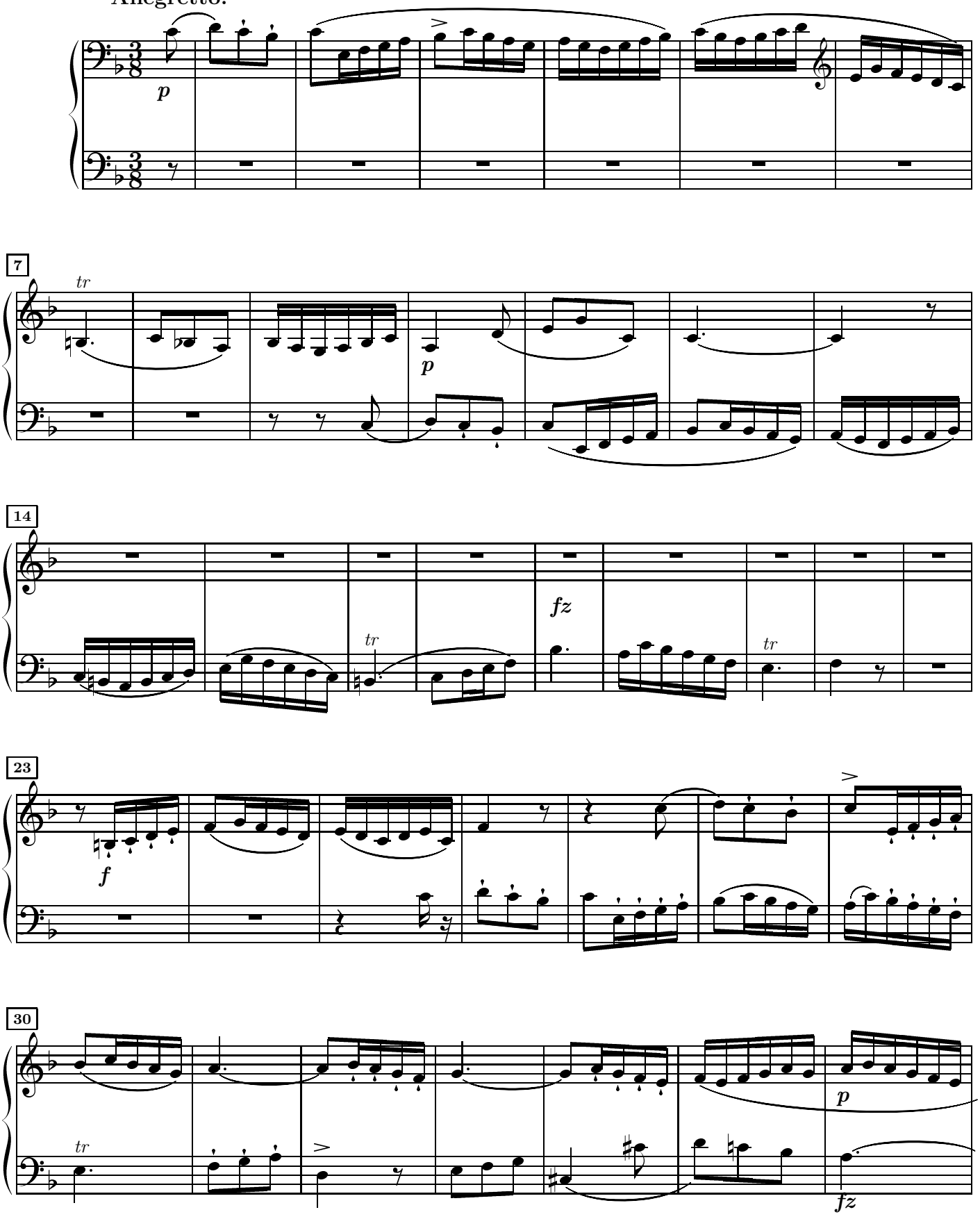
Prélude
Vivace.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini



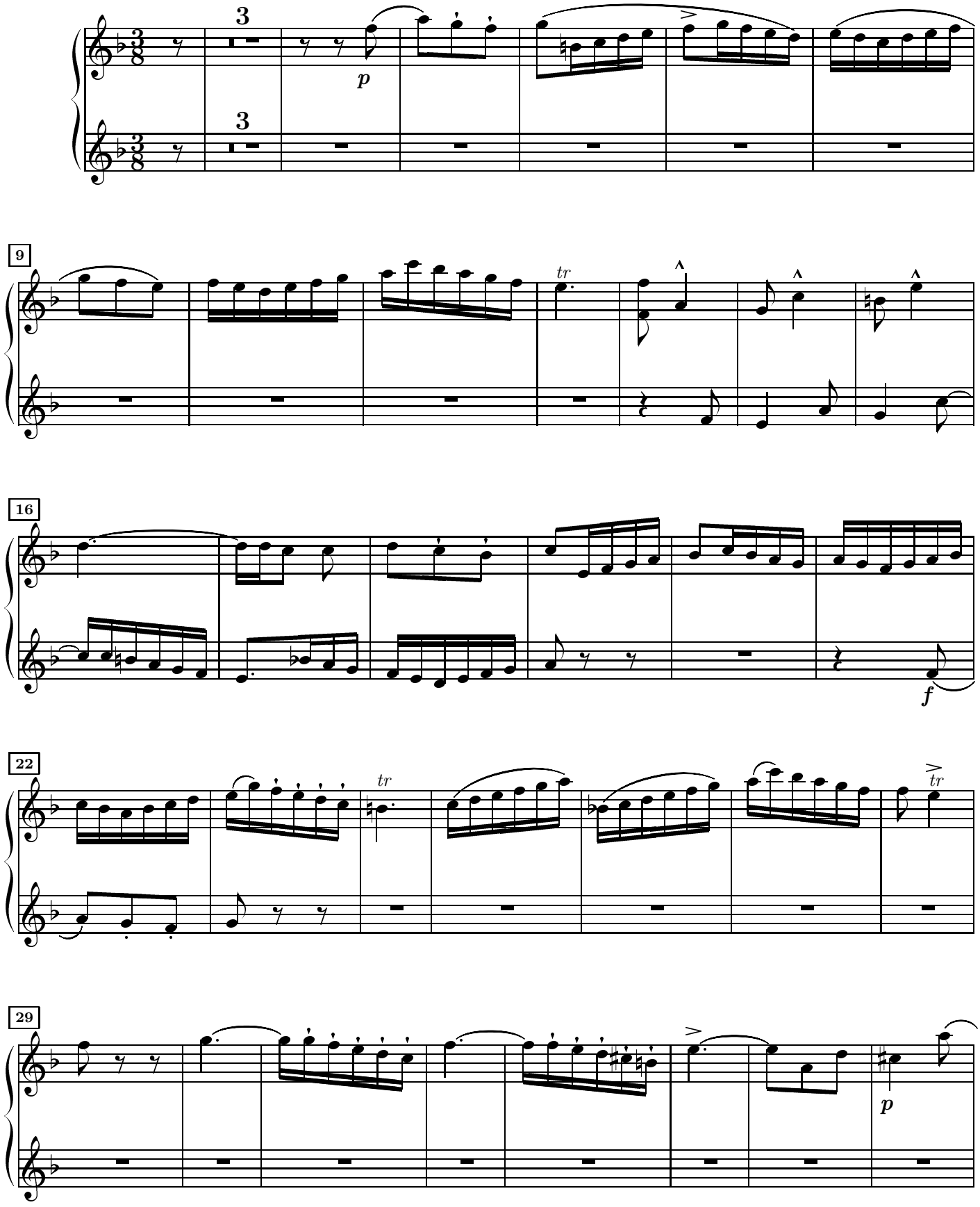
Fugue à 3 voix

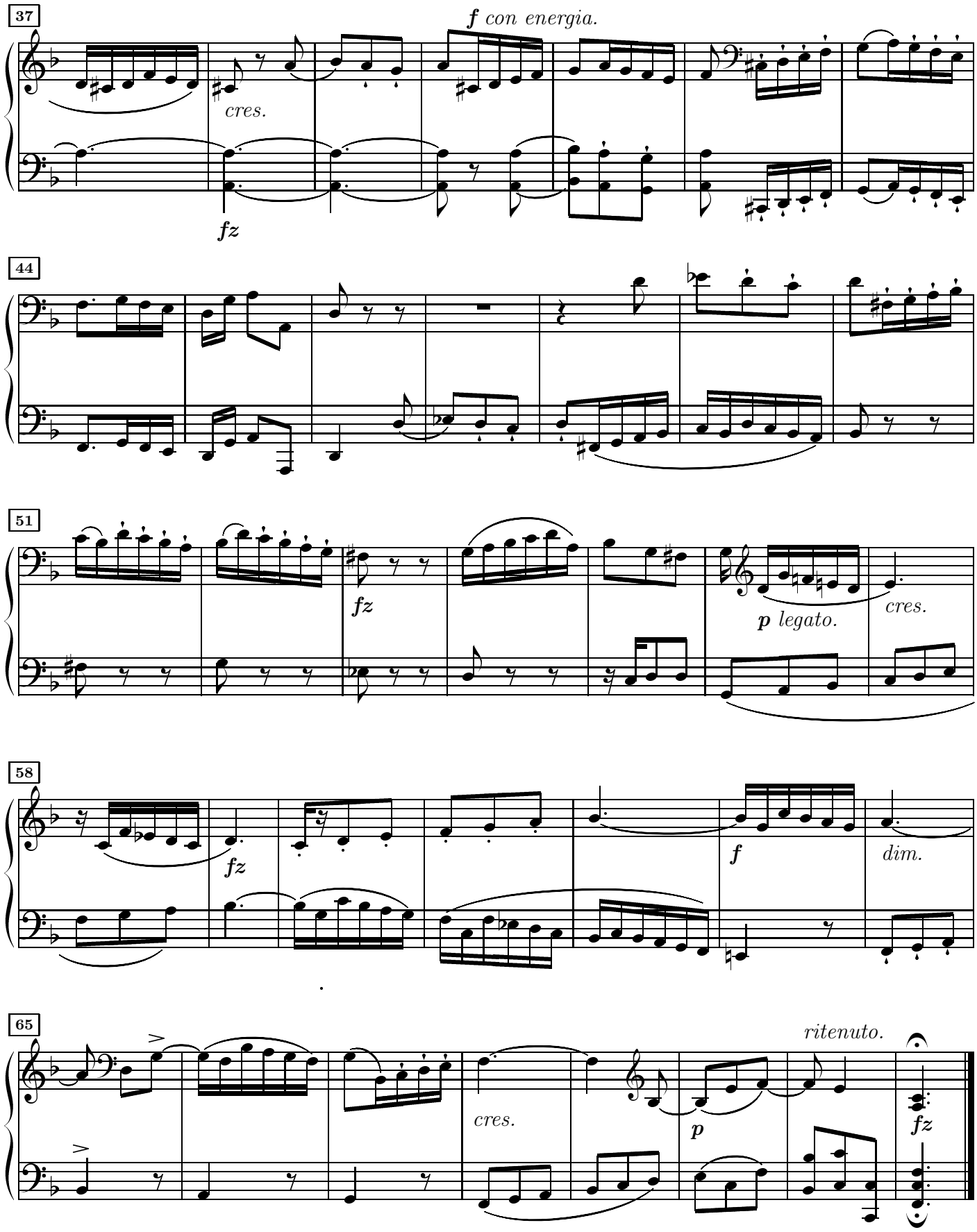
Allegretto.

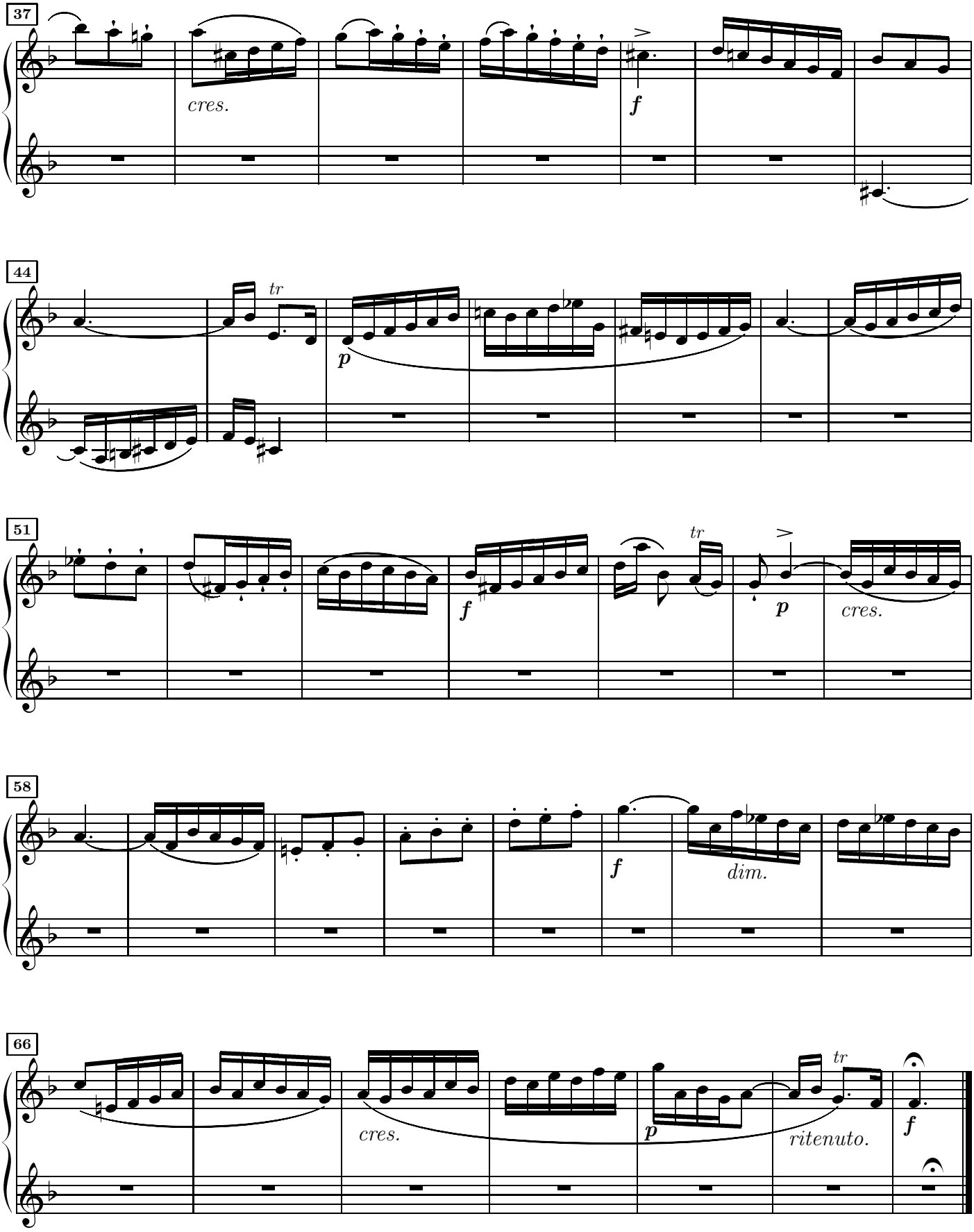


Fugue à 3 voix

Allegretto.



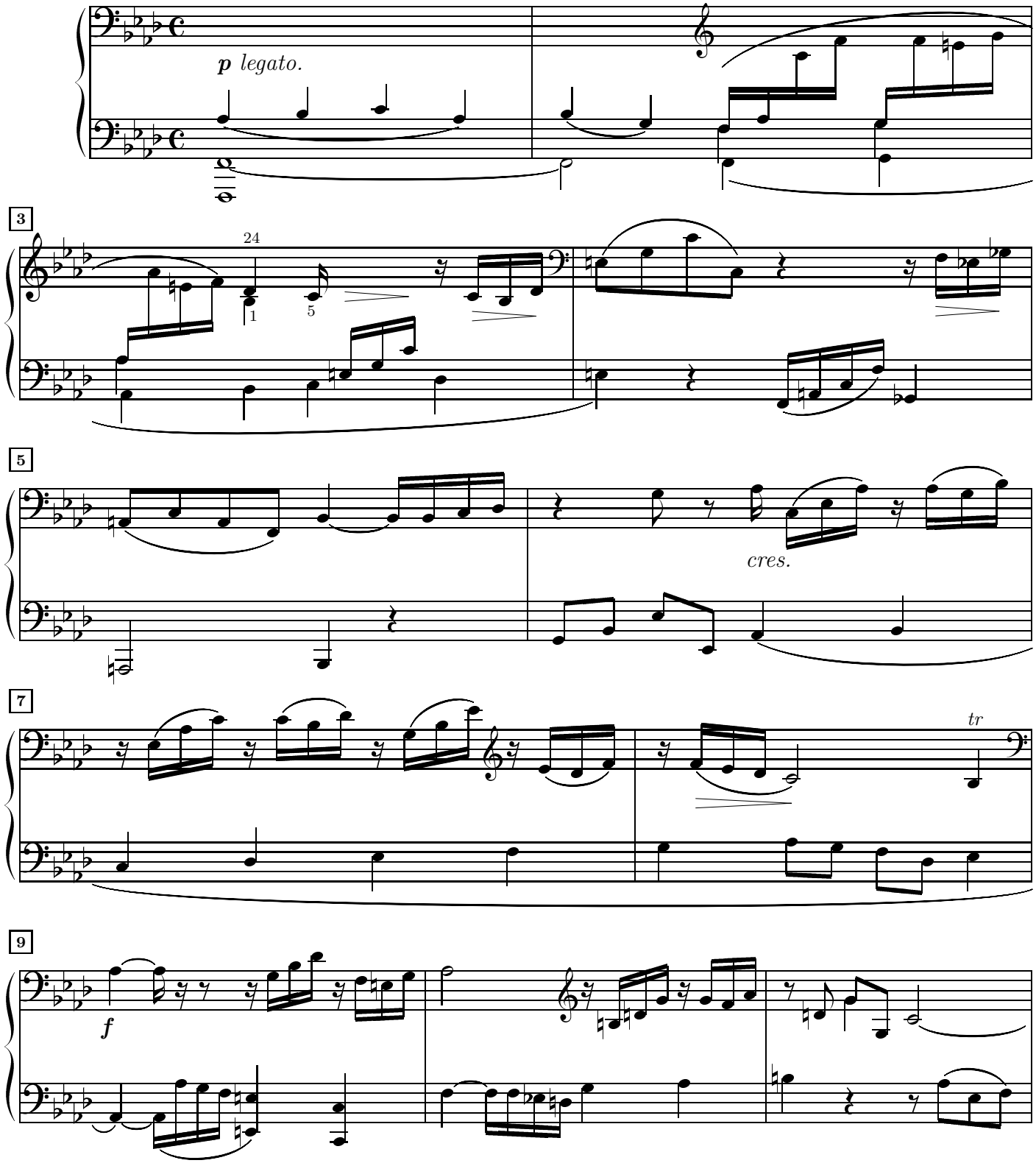

37
f con energia.
cres.
fz
44
51
fz
p legato.
cres.
58
fz
f
dim.
65
ritenuto.
cres.
p
fz


37
cres.
f
44
tr
p
51
f
tr
p
cres.
58
f
dim.
66
cres.
p
tr
ritenuto.
f

12.e en fa mineur

Prélude
Andante.

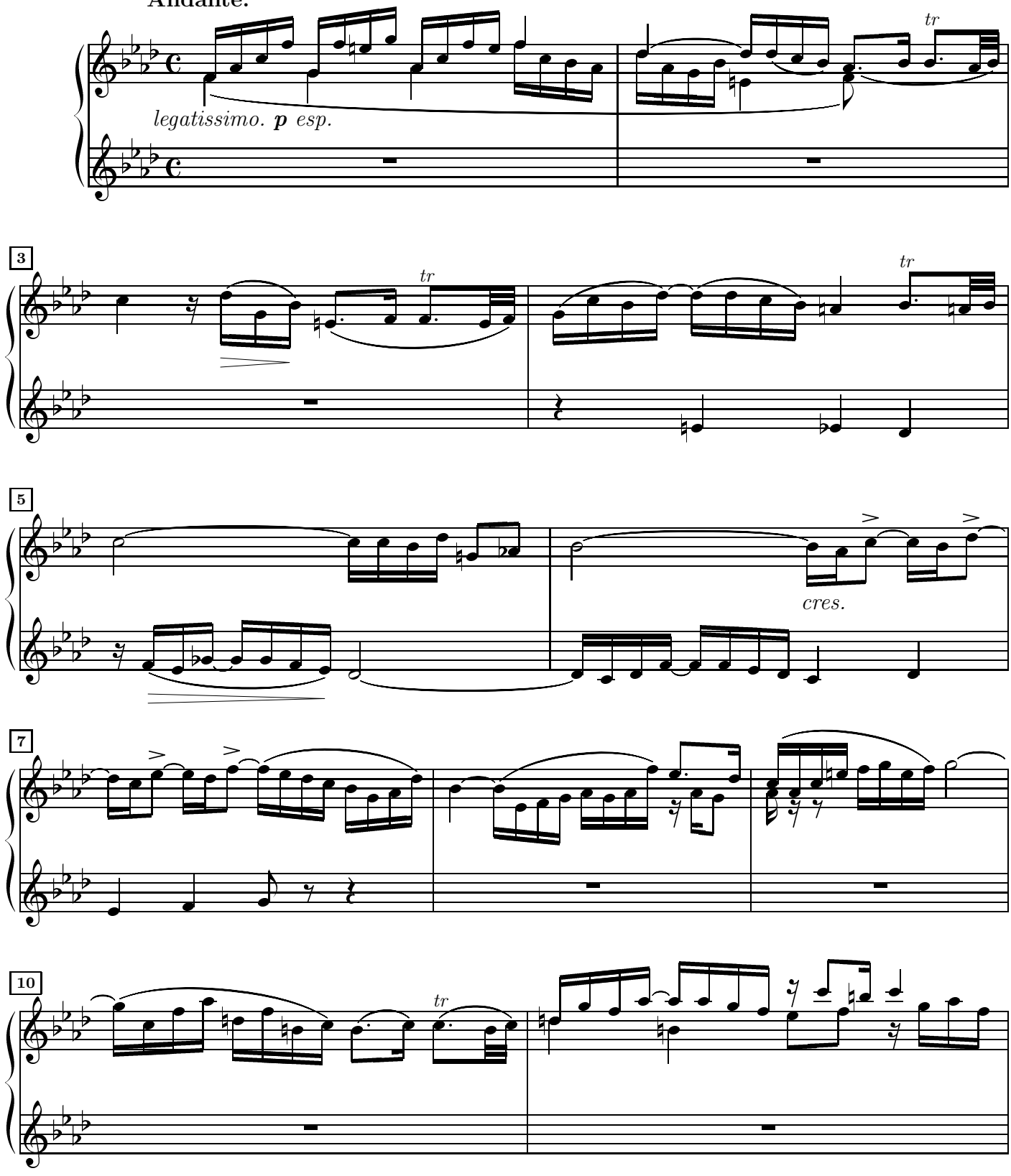
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

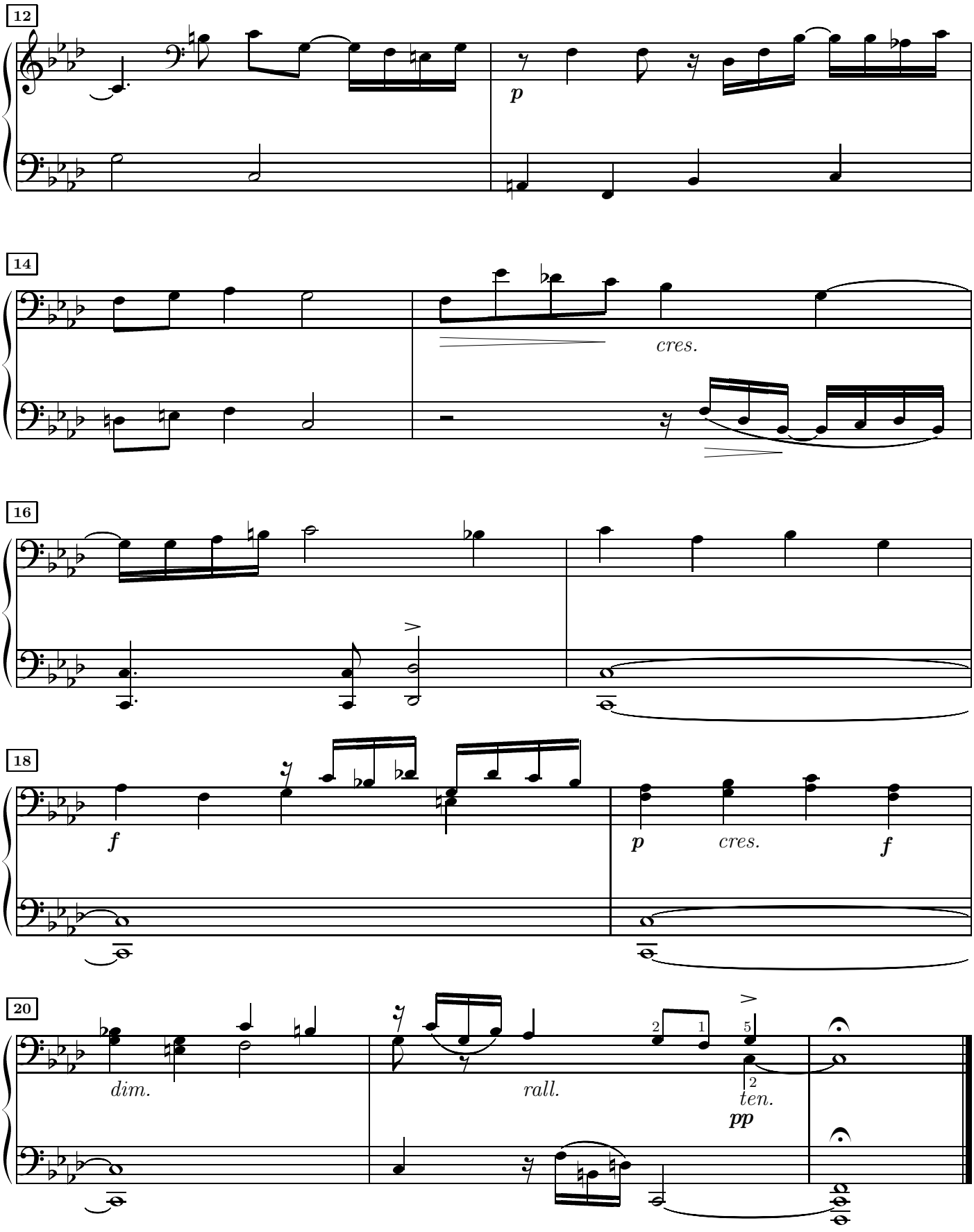


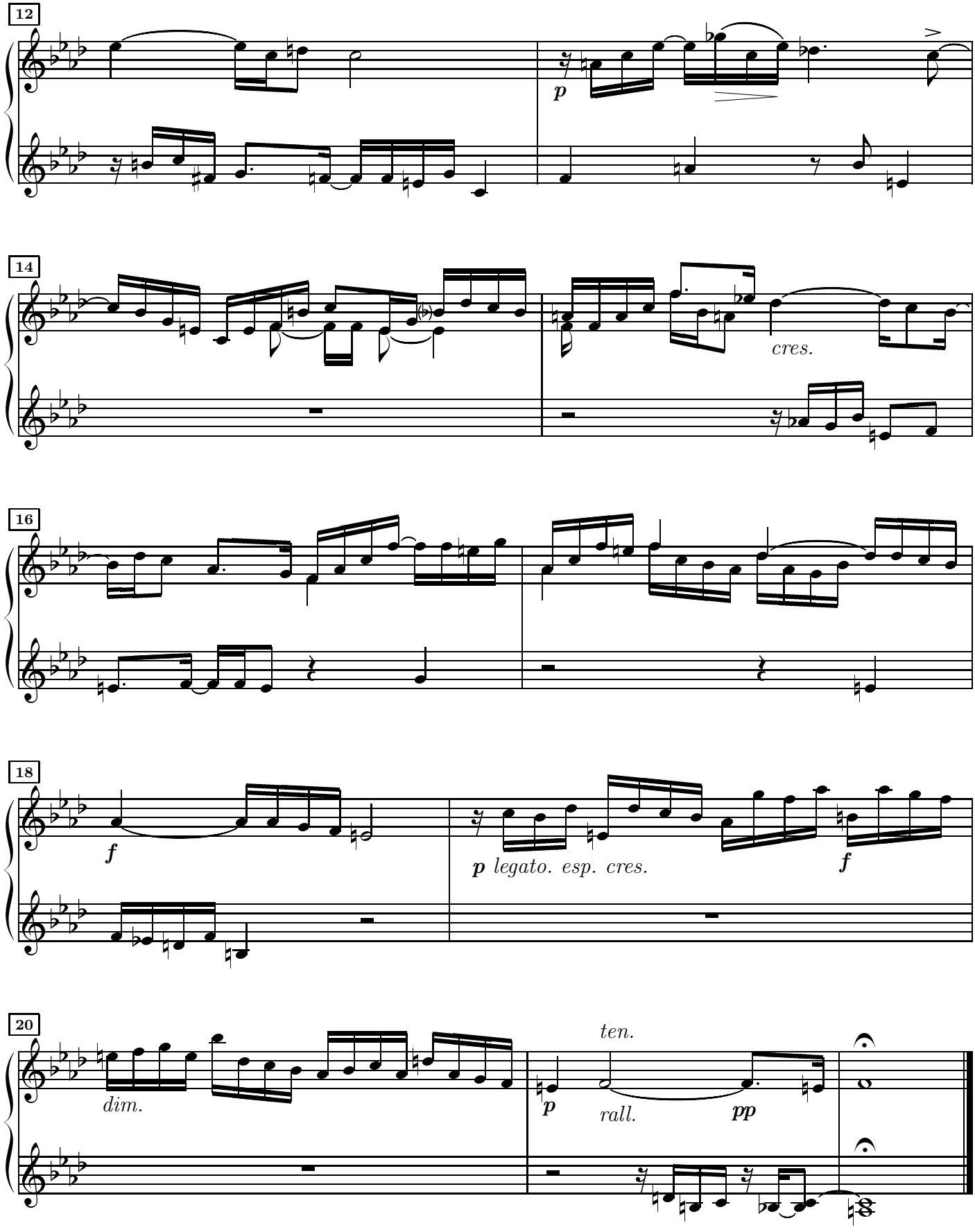
12.e en fa mineur

Prélude
Andante.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

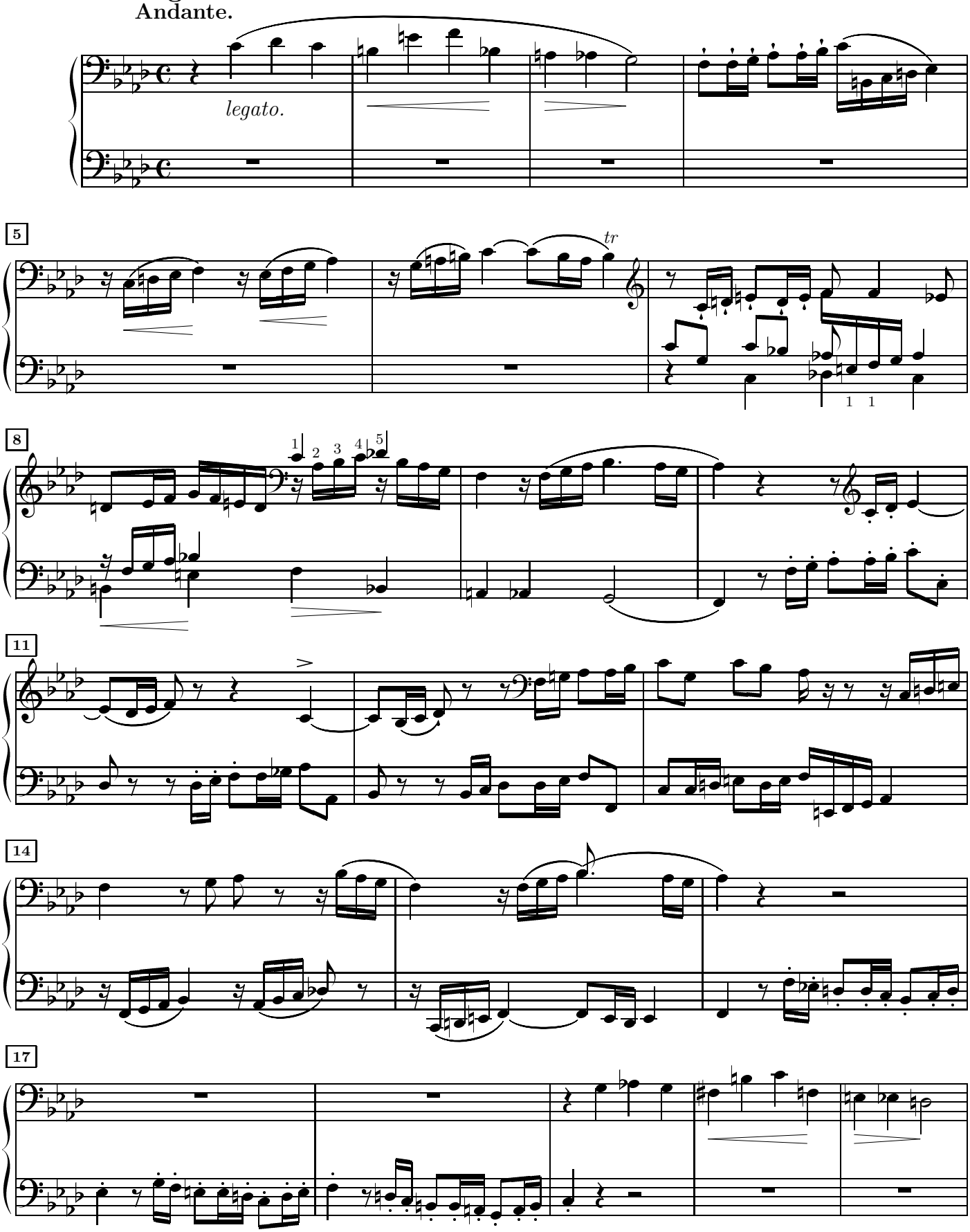



12
p
14
cres.
16
18
f
p
cres.
f
20
dim.
rall.
2
1
5
2
ten.
pp


12
p
14
cres.
16
18
f
p legato. esp. cres.
f
20
dim.
ten.
p
rall.
pp

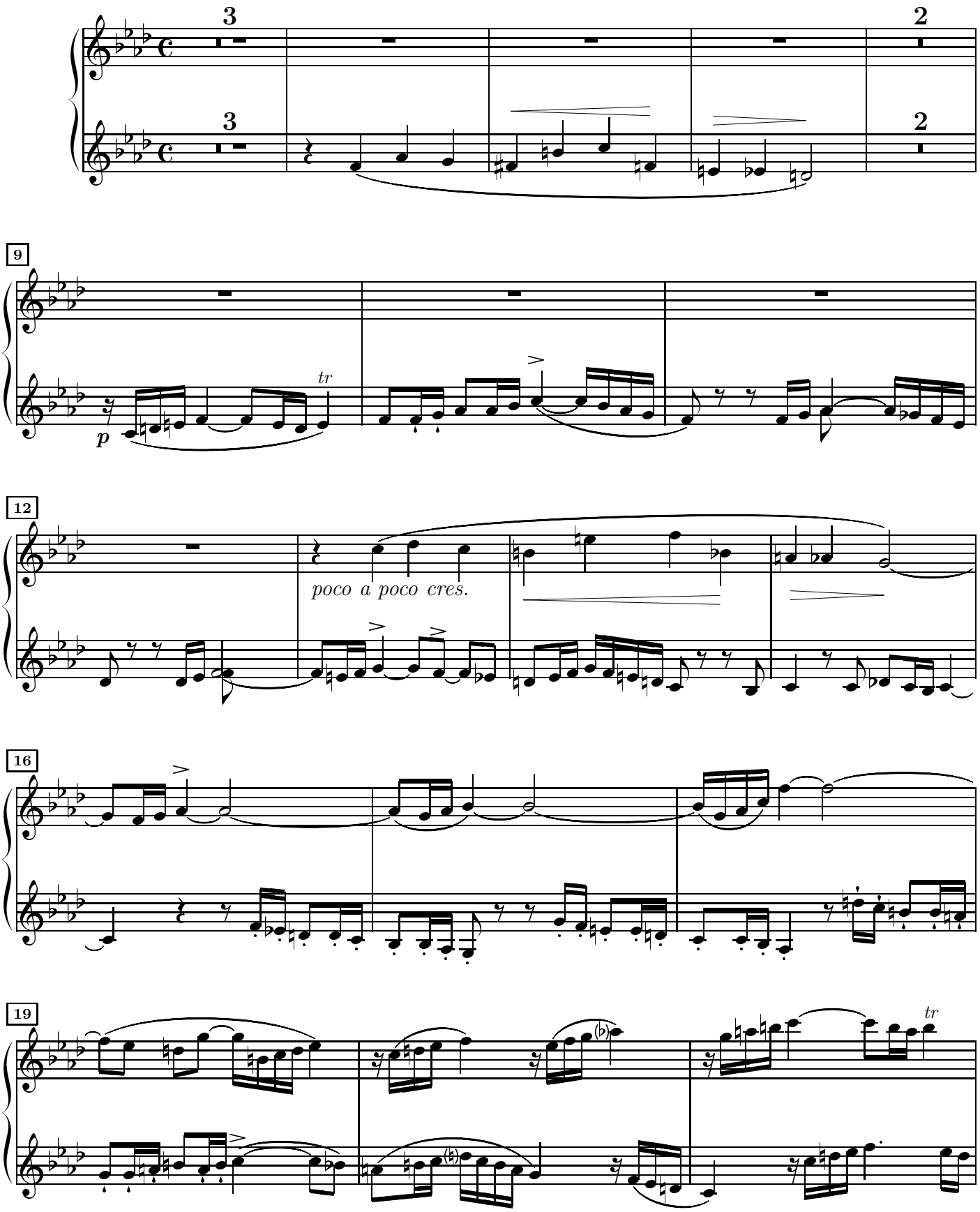
Fugue à 4 voix

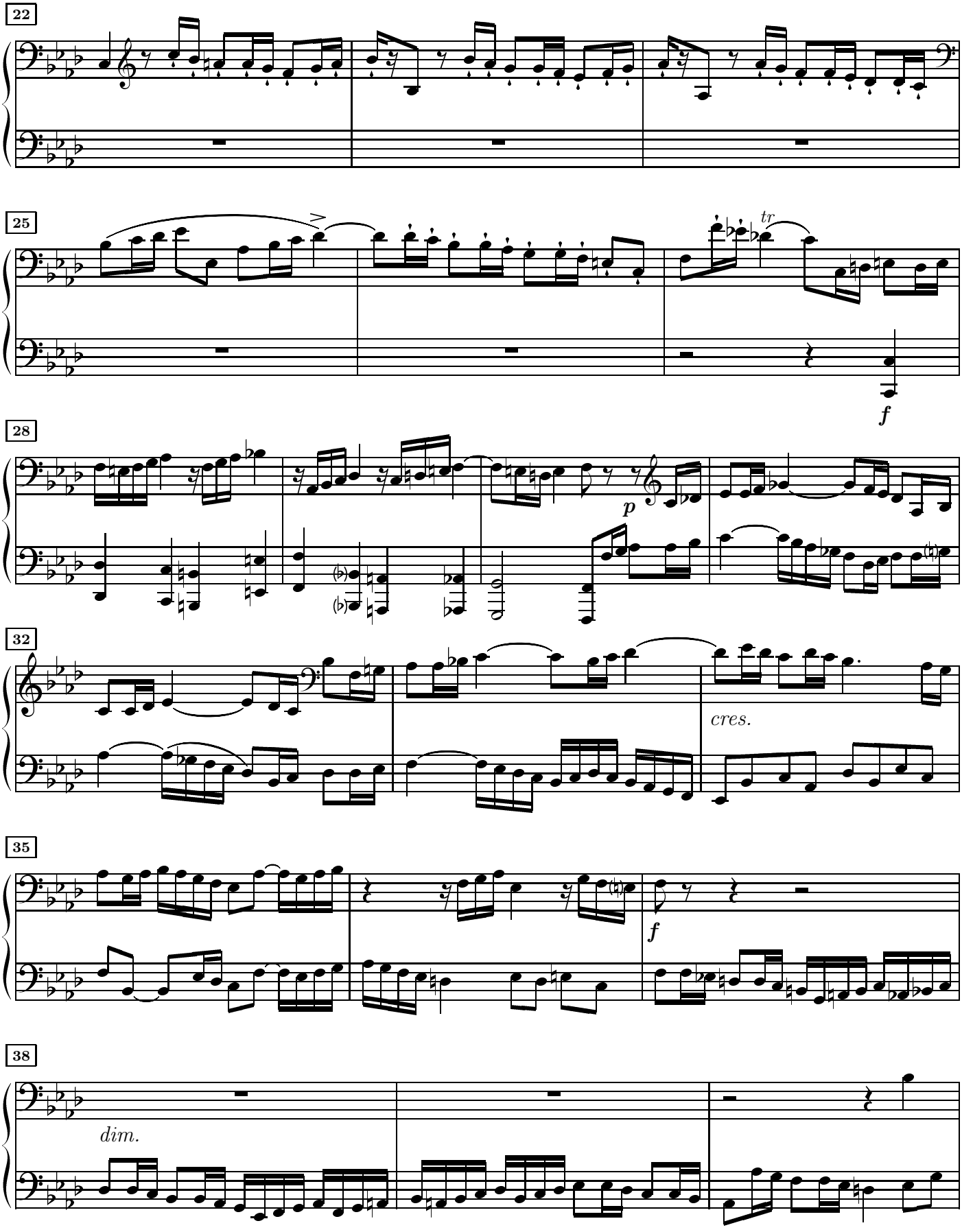
Andante.

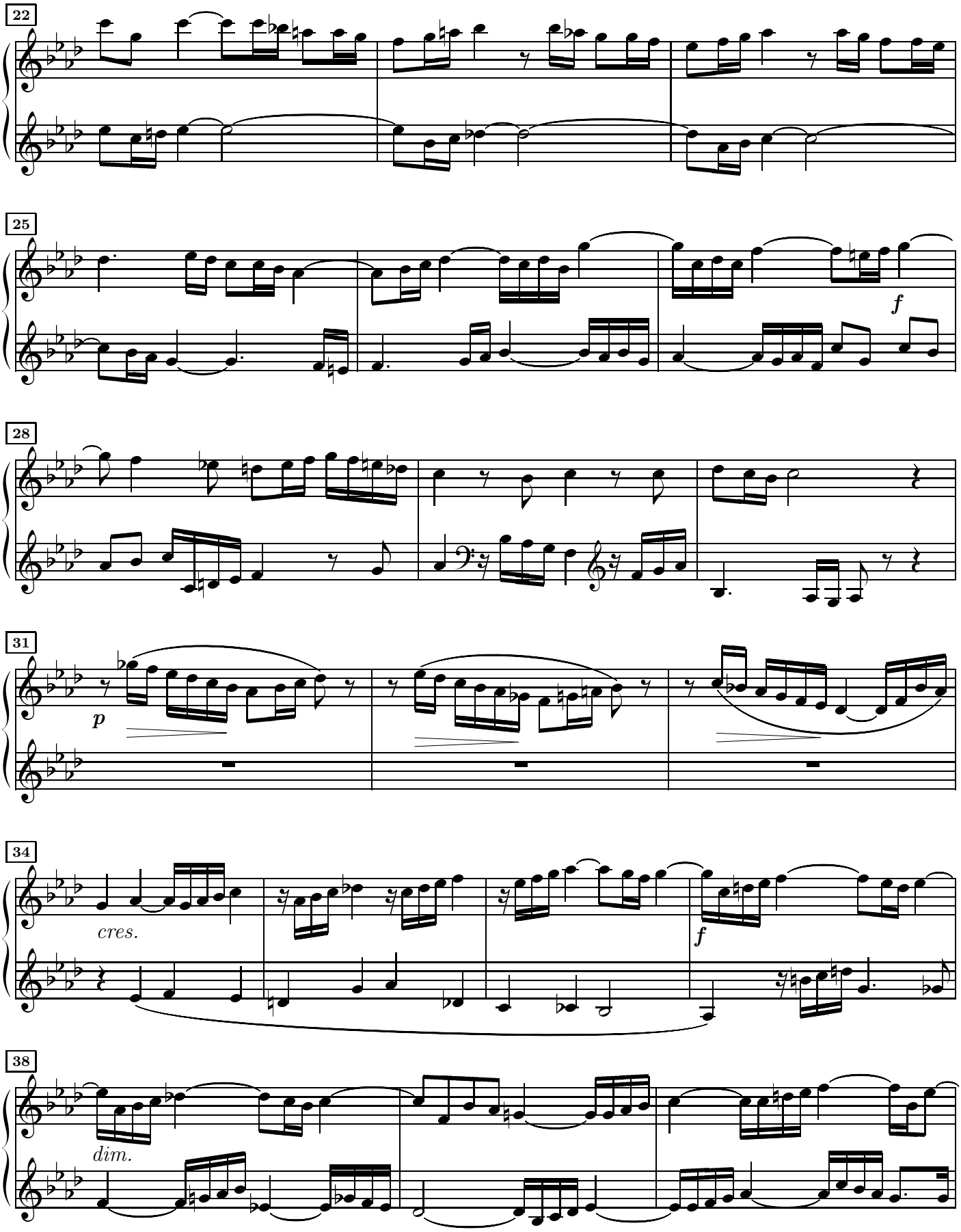


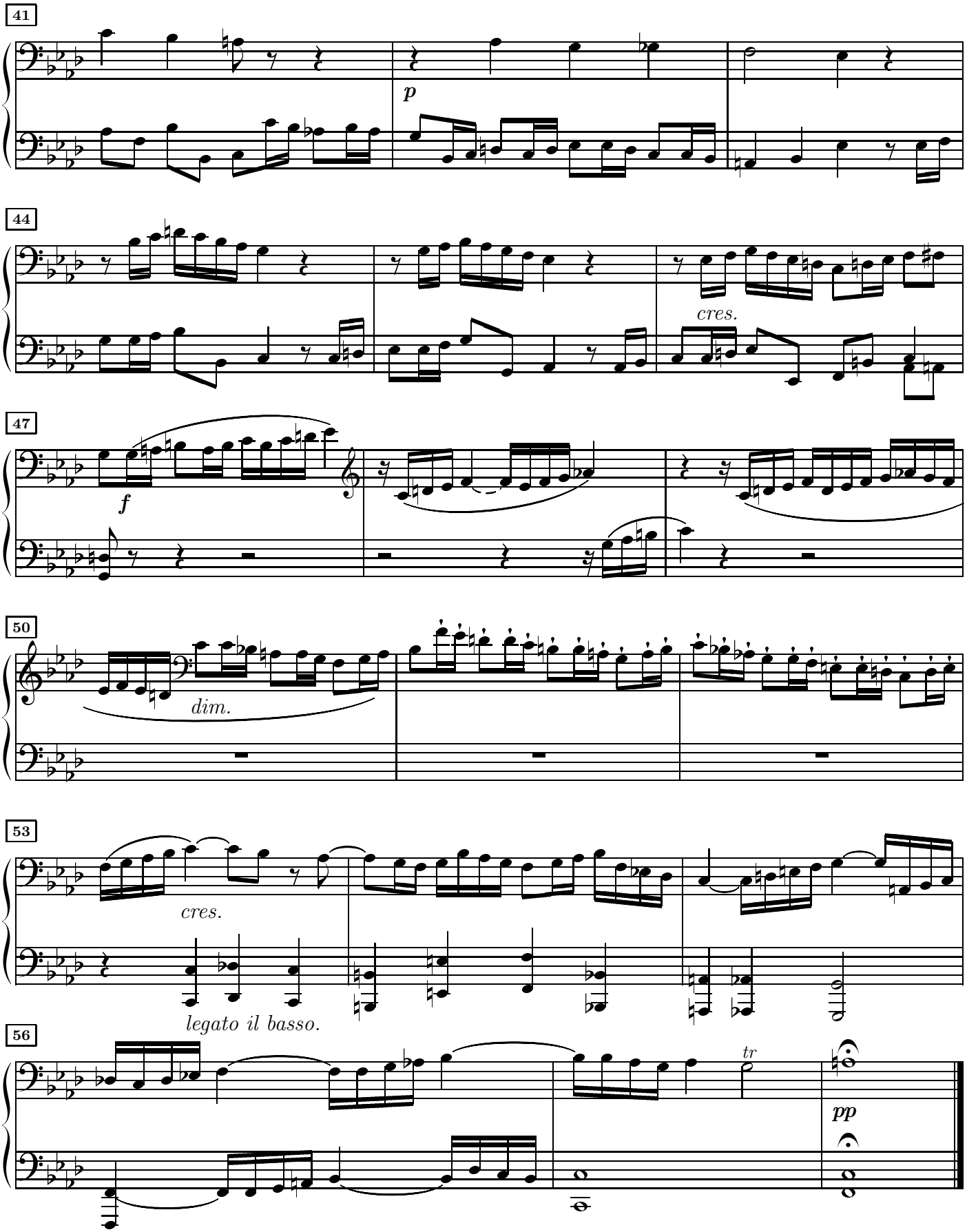
Fugue à 4 voix

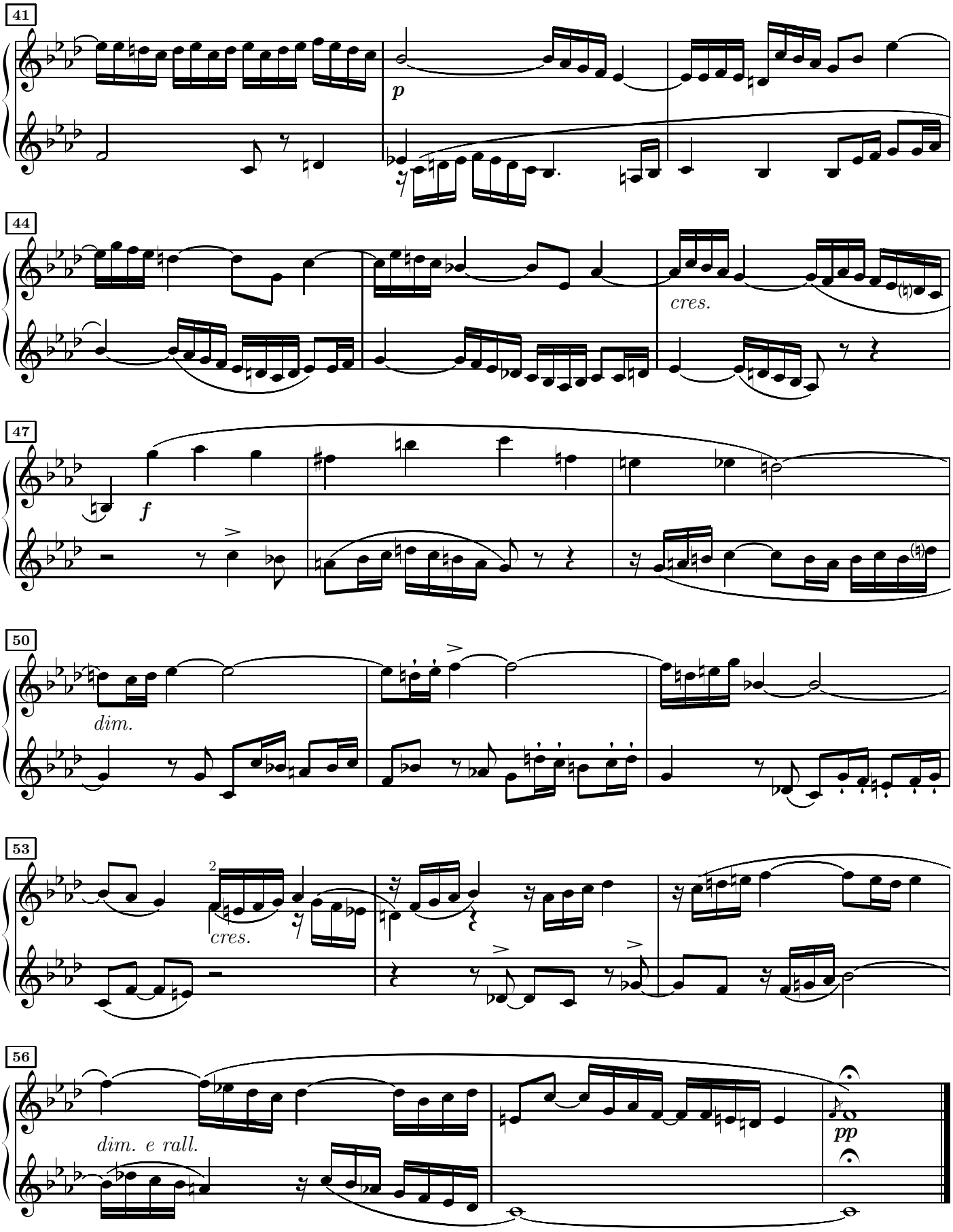
Andante.




22
25
tr
f
28
p
32
cres.
35
f
38
dim.


22
25
f
28
31
p
34
cres.
f
38
dim.

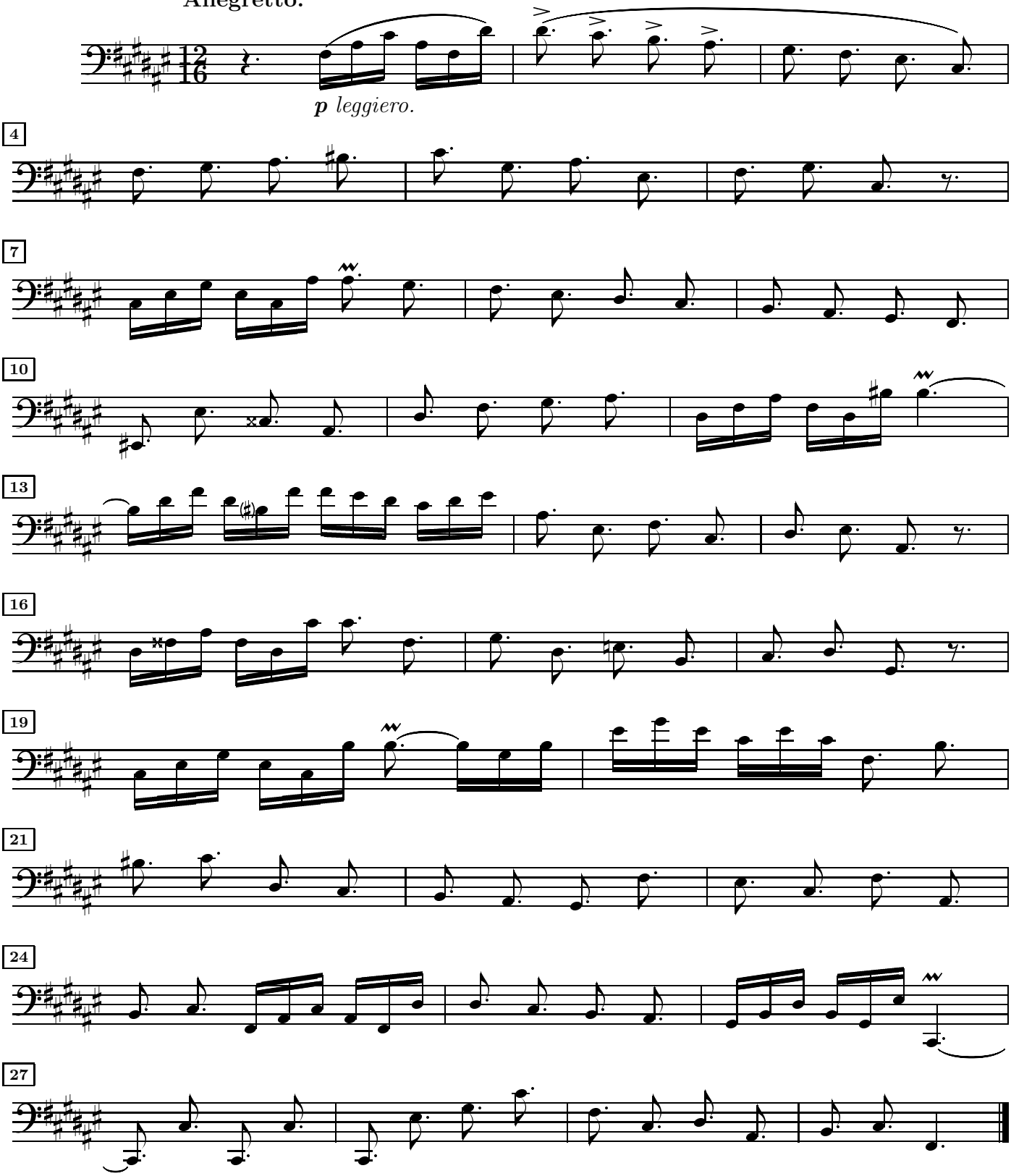

41
p
44
cres.
47
f
50
dim.
53
cres.
legato il basso.
56
tr
pp


41
p
44
cres.
47
f
50
dim.
53
2
cres.
56
dim. e rall.
pp

13.e en fa dièse majeur

Prélude
Allegretto.

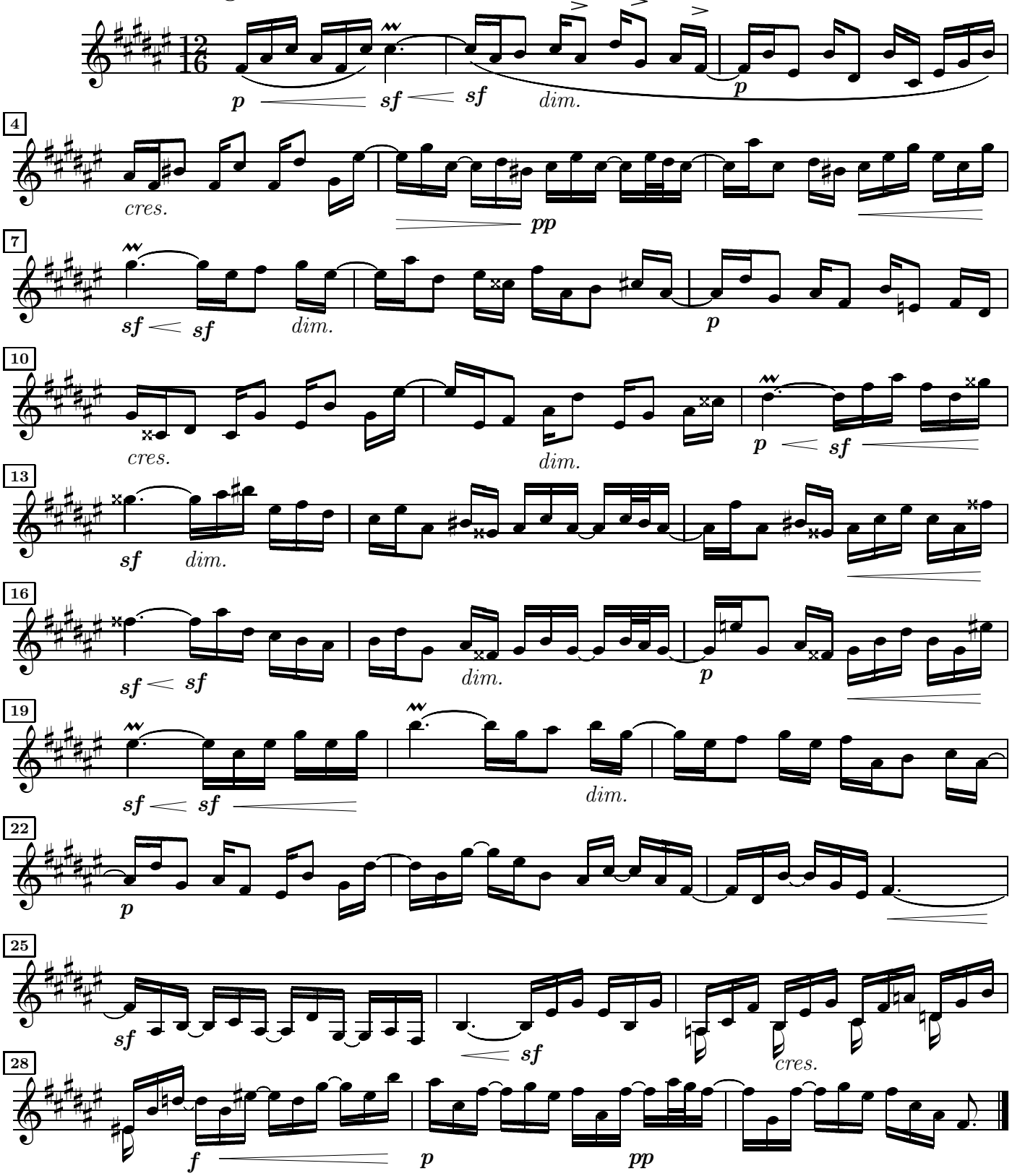
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini



13.e en fa dièse majeur

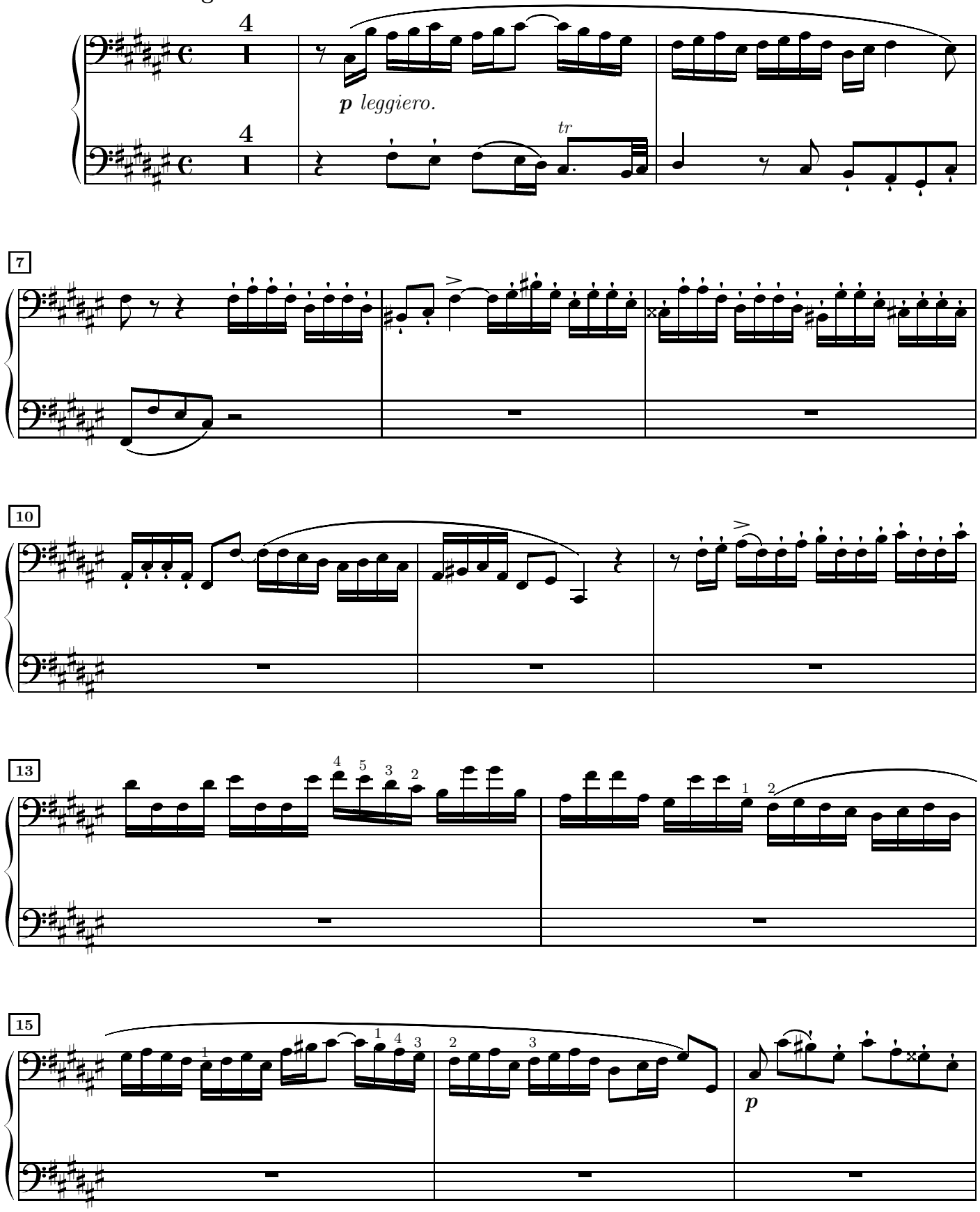
Prélude
Allegretto.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini



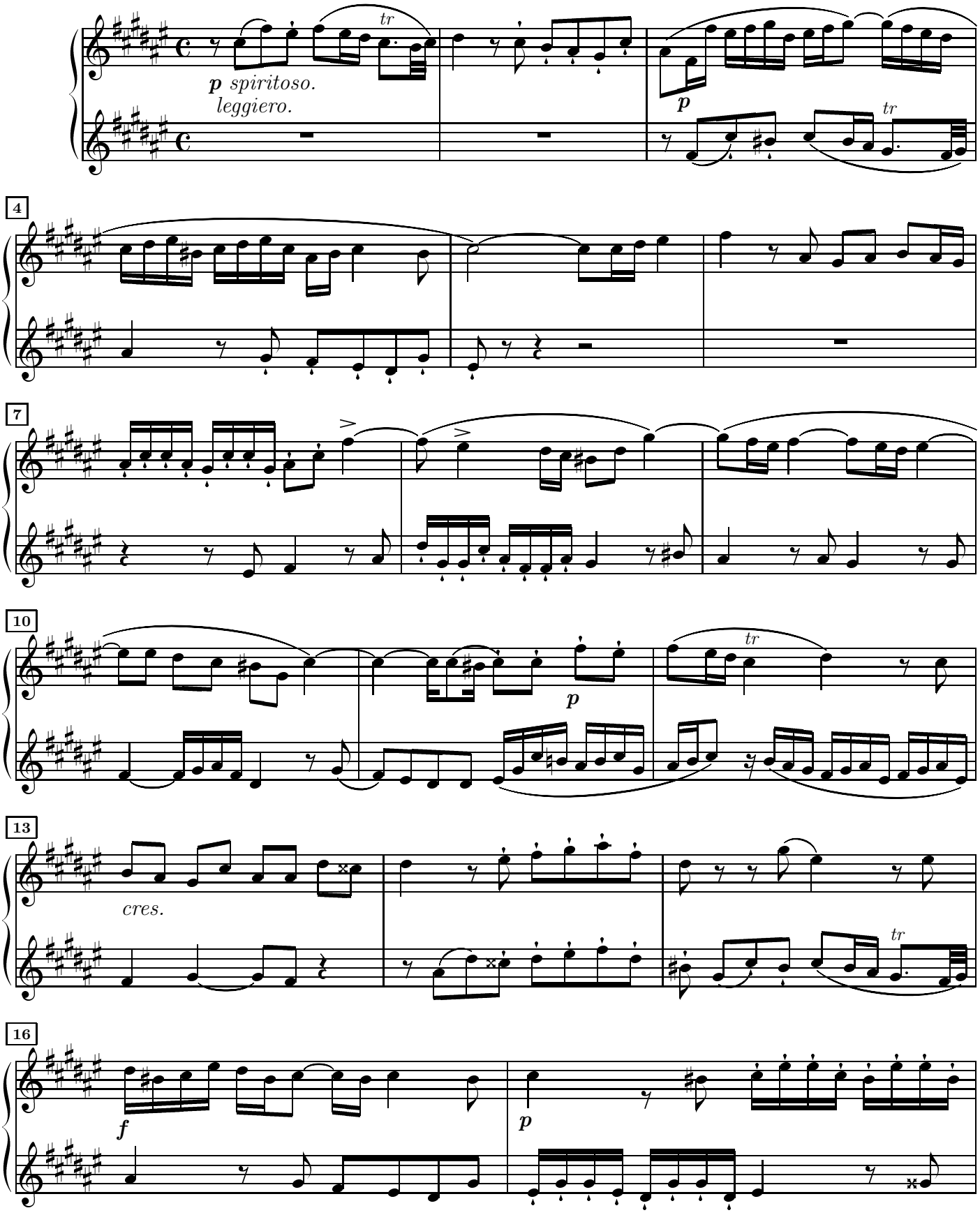
Fugue à 3 voix.

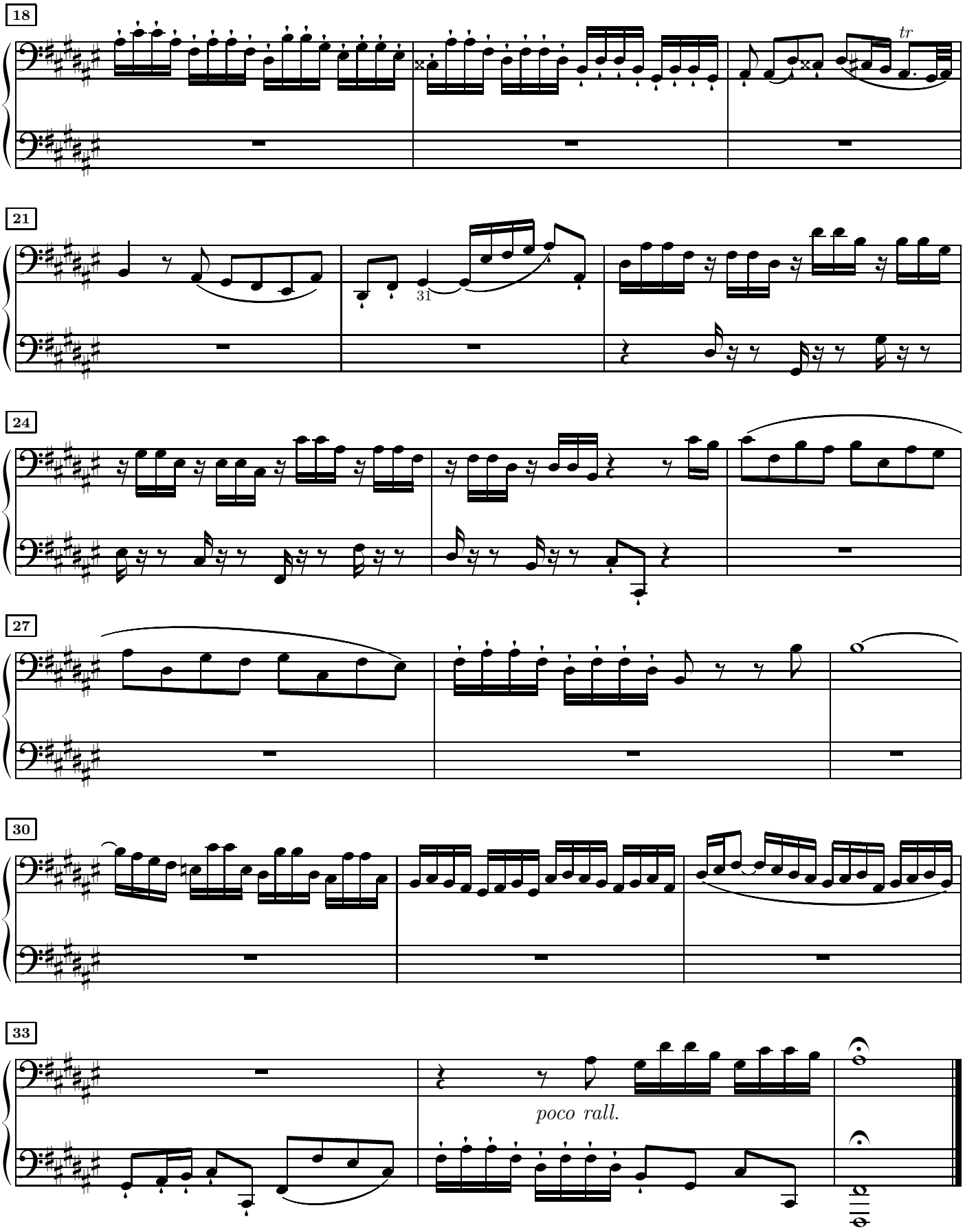
Allegretto.

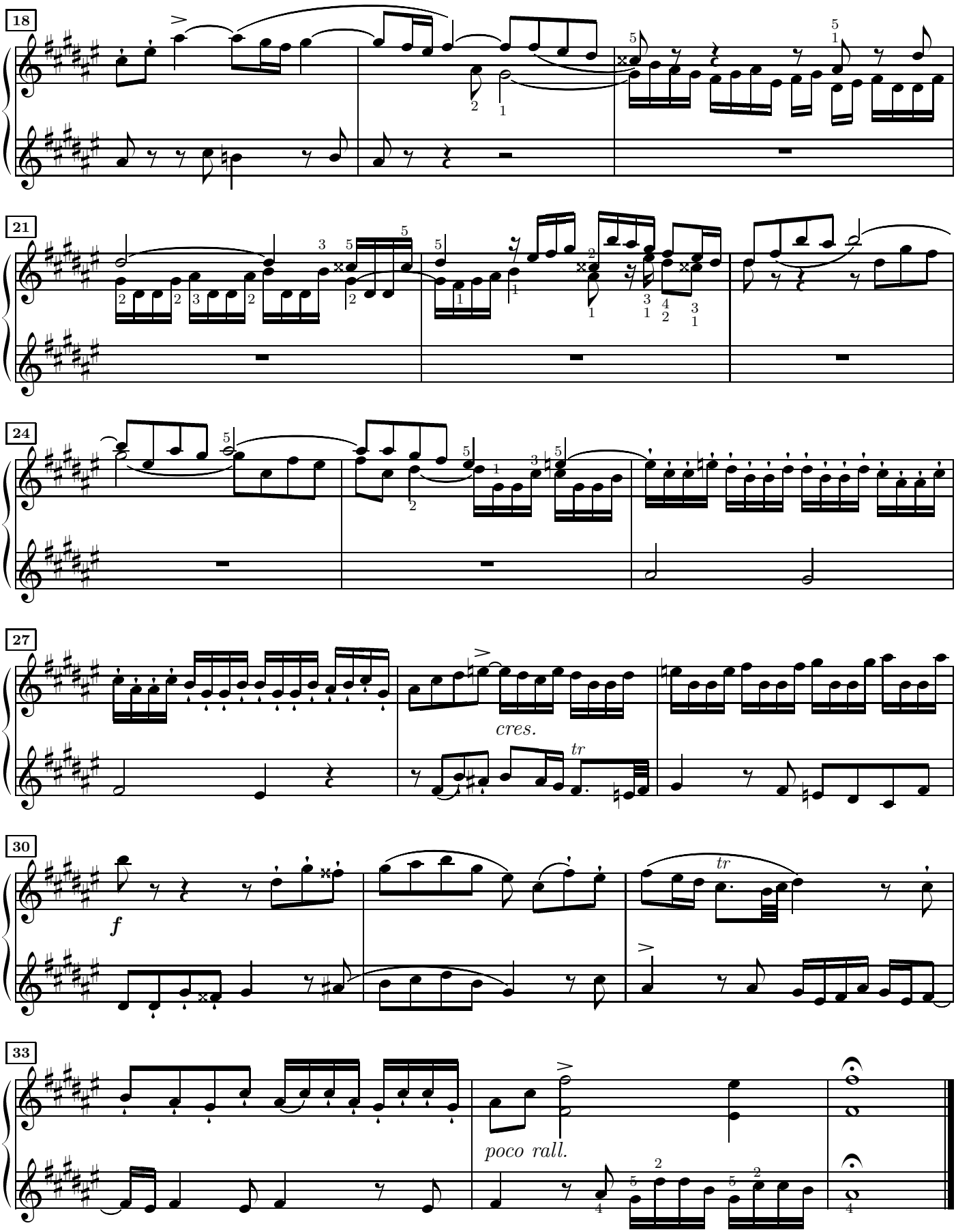


Fugue à 3 voix.

Allegretto.



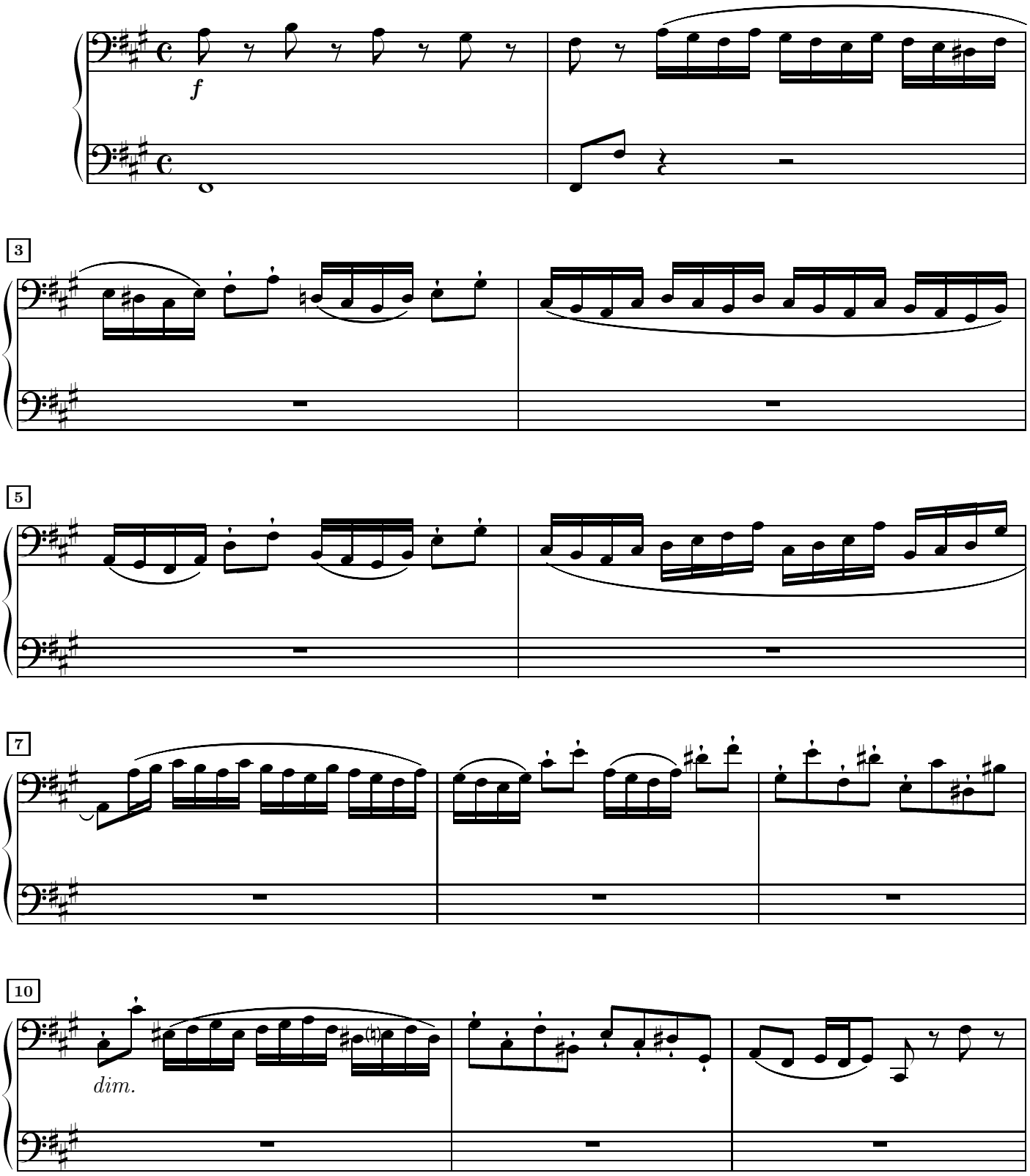

18
tr
21
31
24
27
30
33
poco rall.


18
21
24
27
cres.
tr
30
f
tr
33
poco rall.

14.e en fa dièse mineur

Prélude
Allegro moderato.

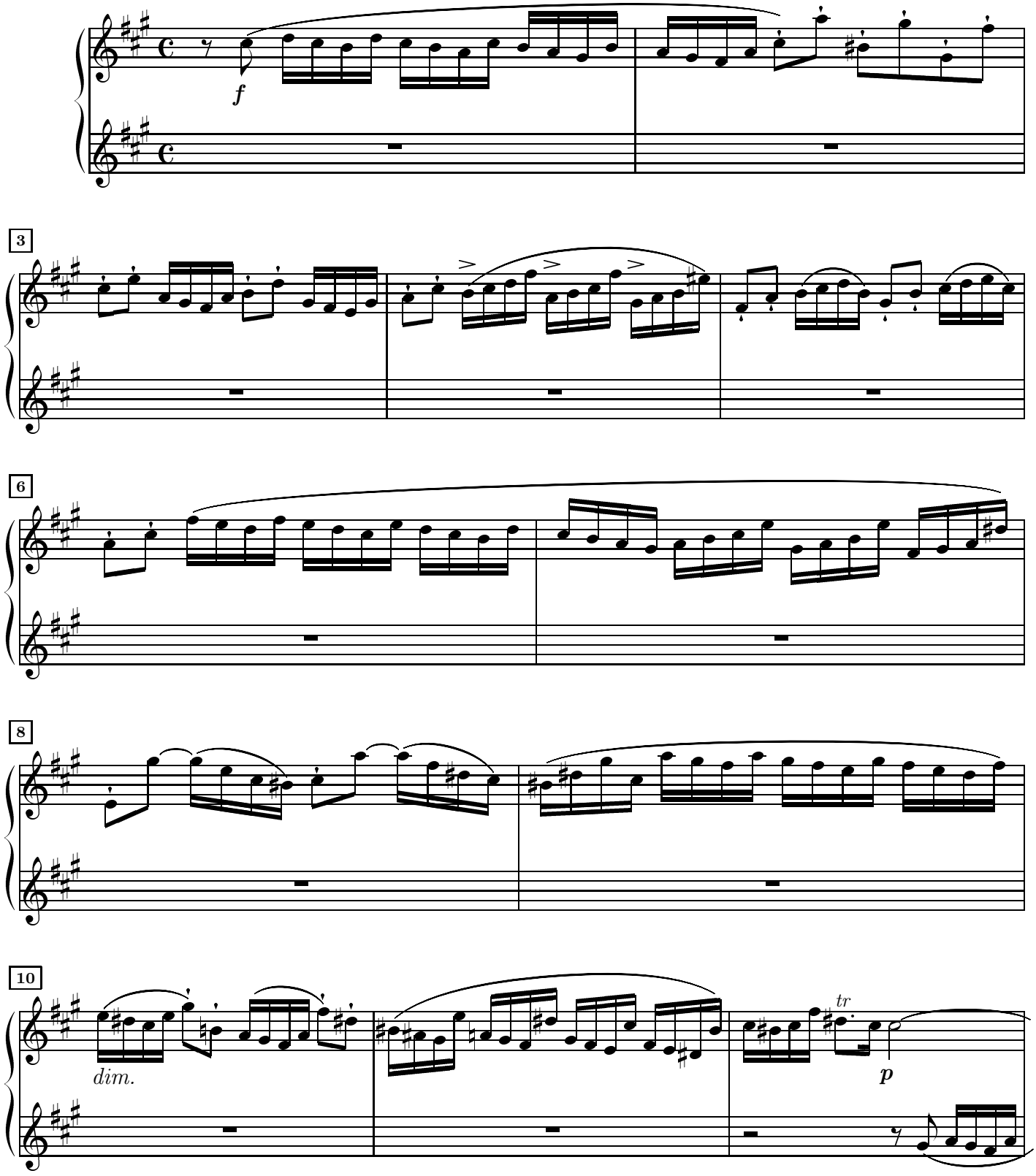
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

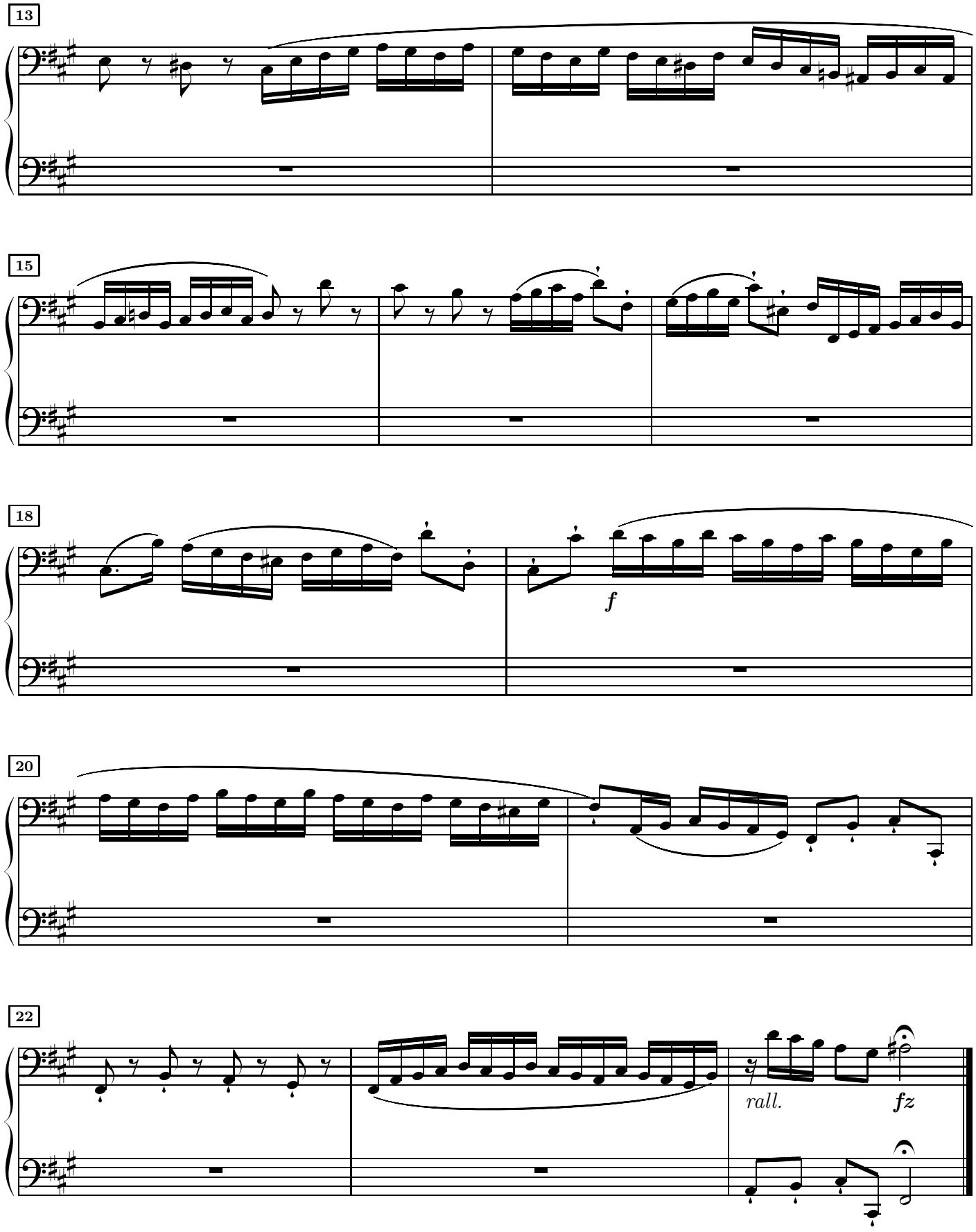


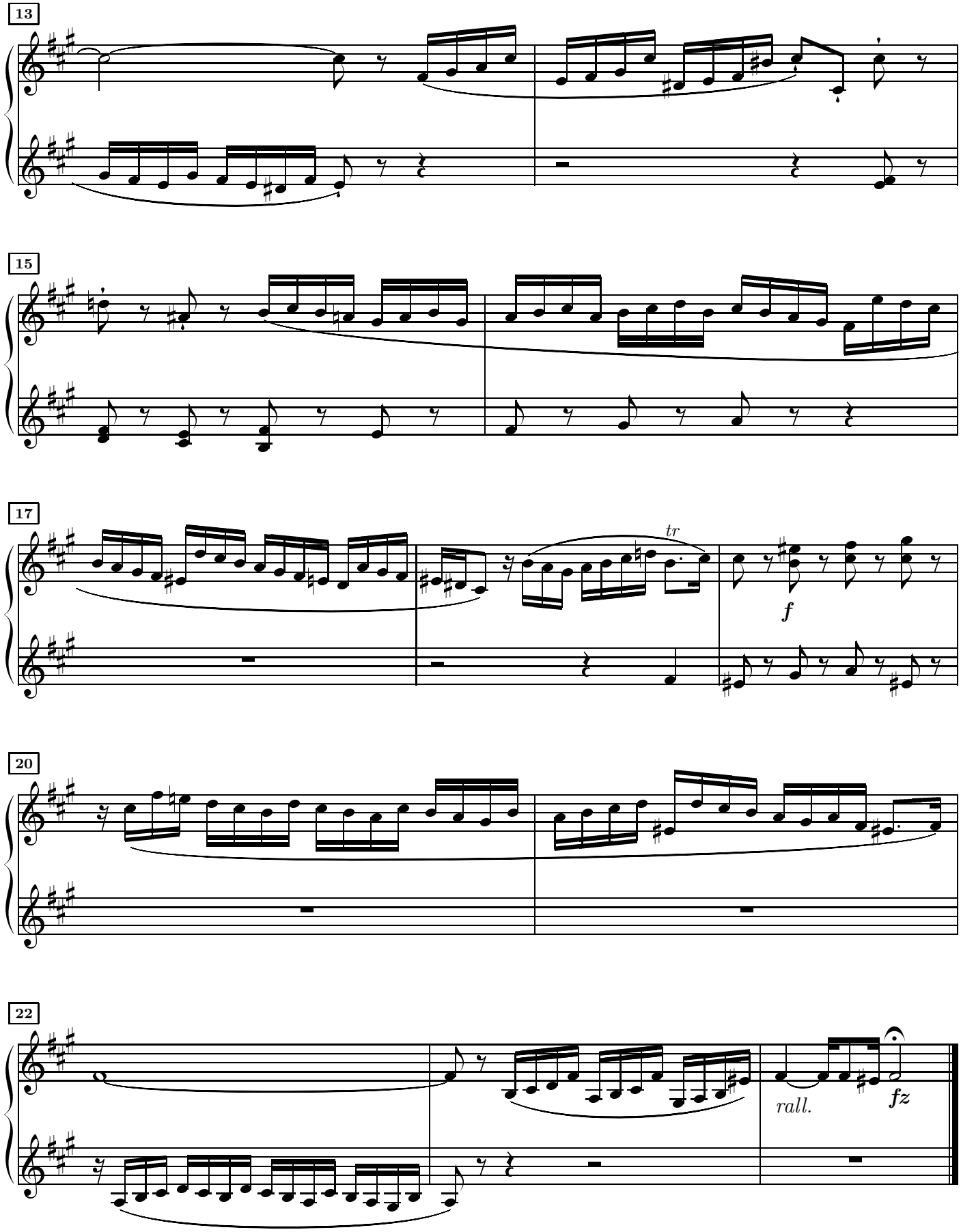
14.e en fa dièse mineur

Prélude
Allegro moderato.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

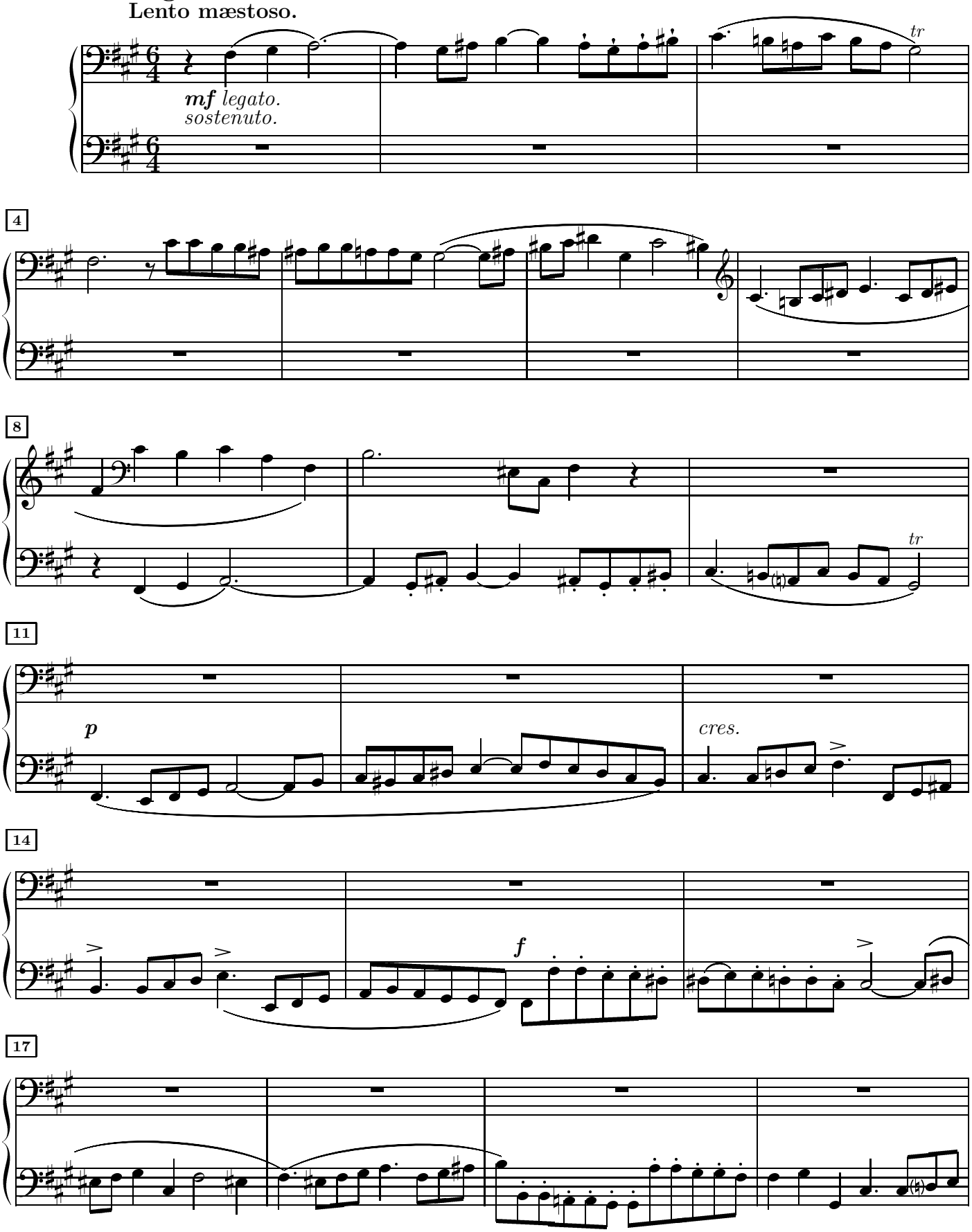



13
15
18
f
20
22
rall.
fz


13
15
17
tr
f
20
22
rall.
fz

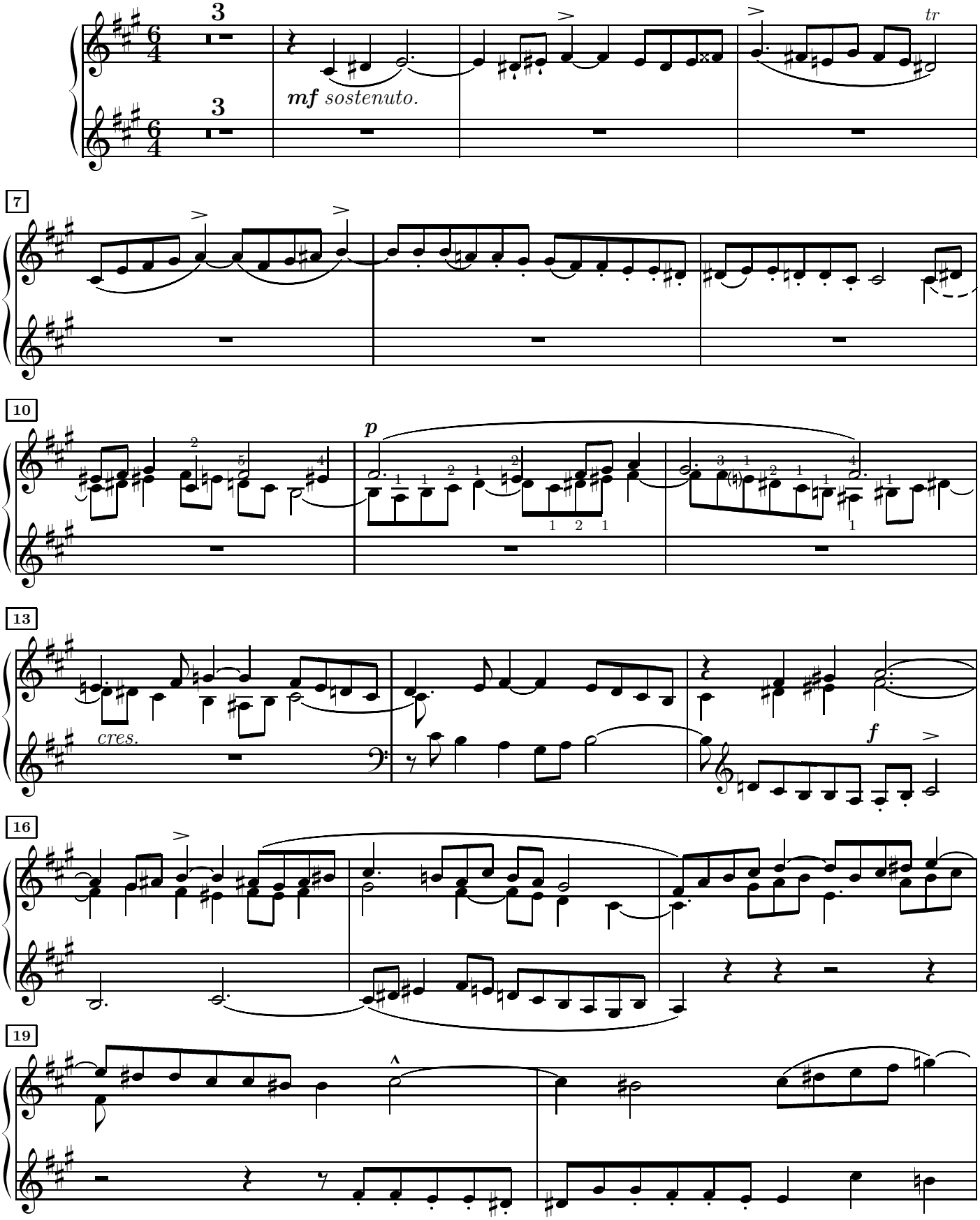
Fugue à 4 voix.

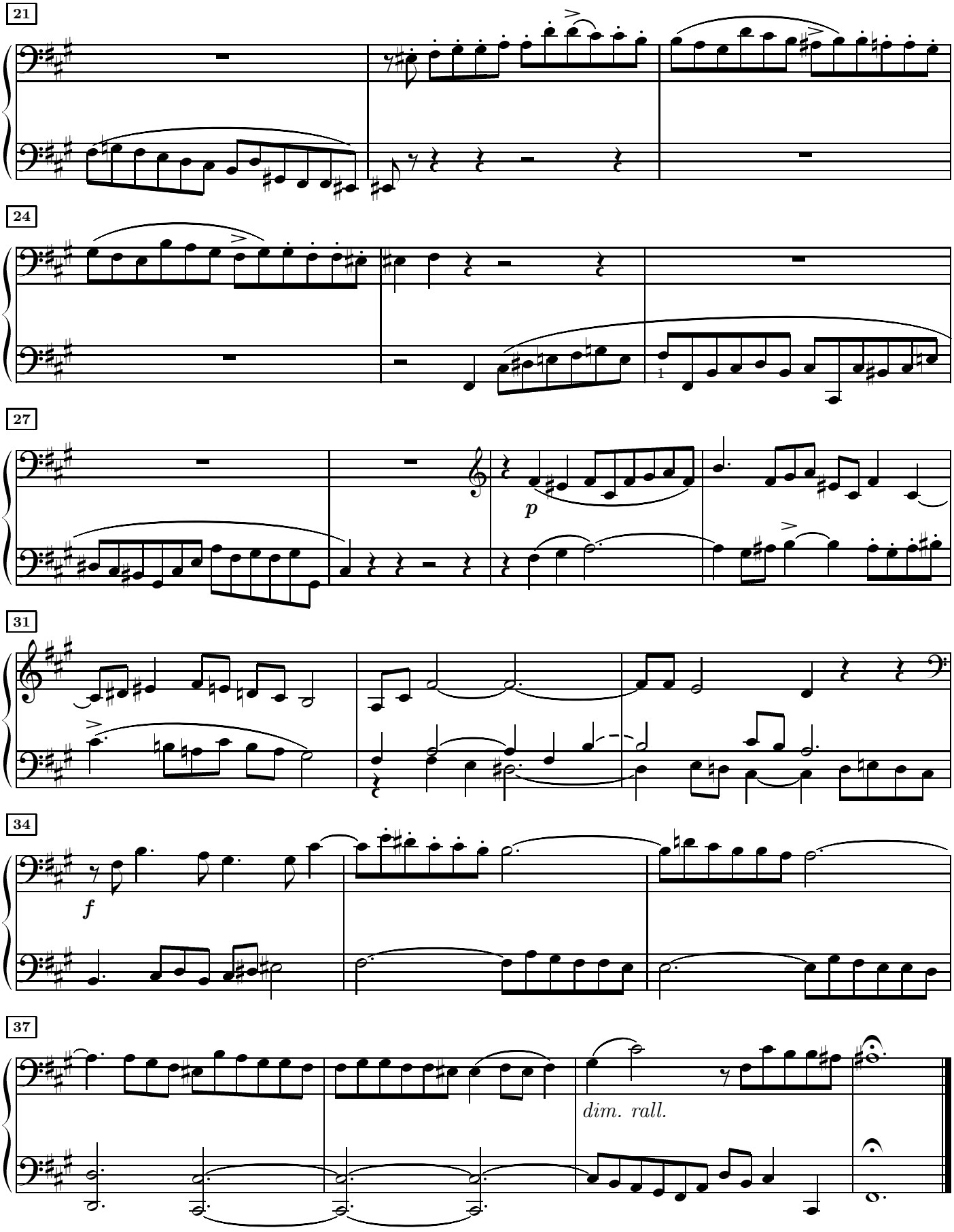
Lento mæstoso.

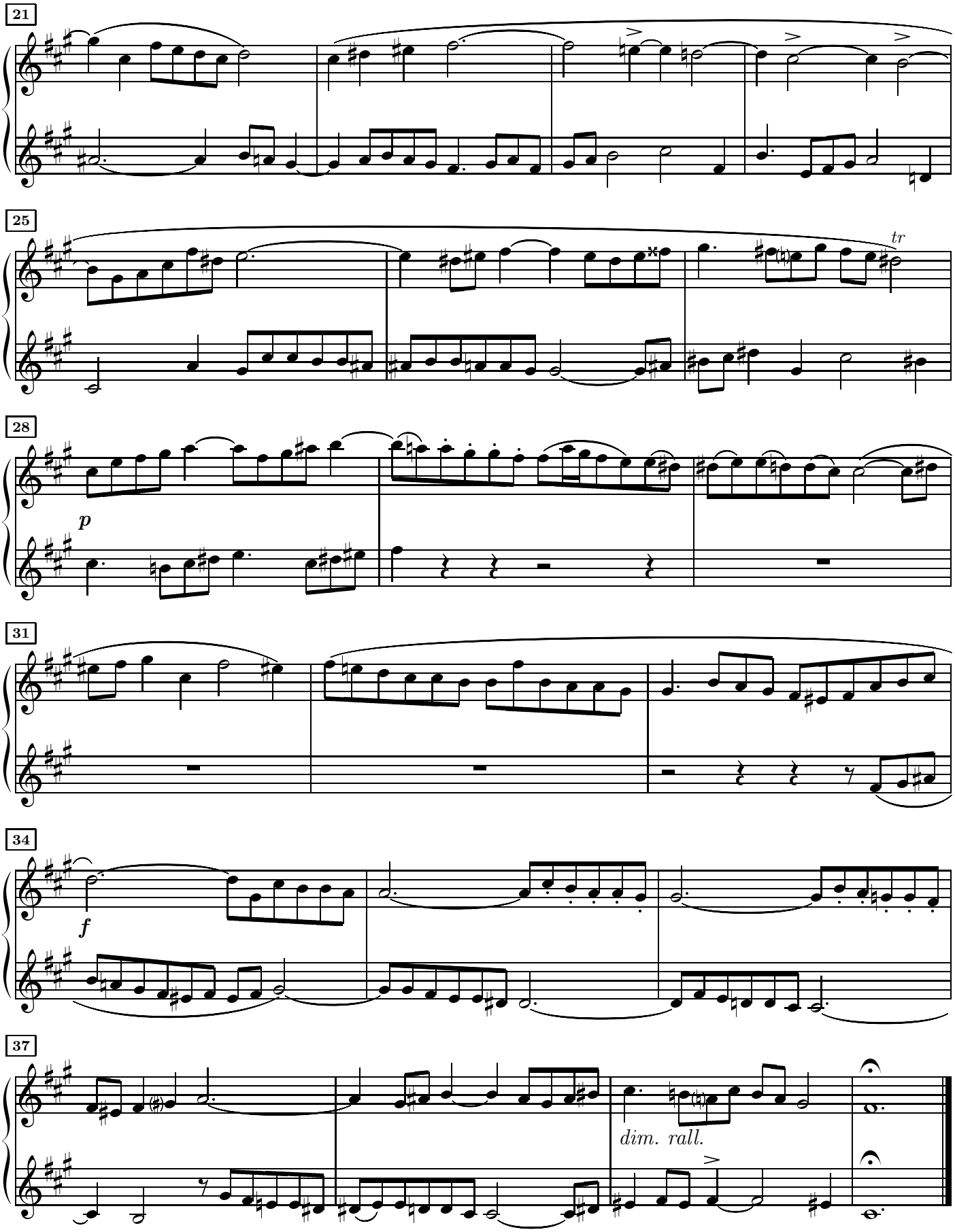


Fugue à 4 voix.

Lento mæstoso.



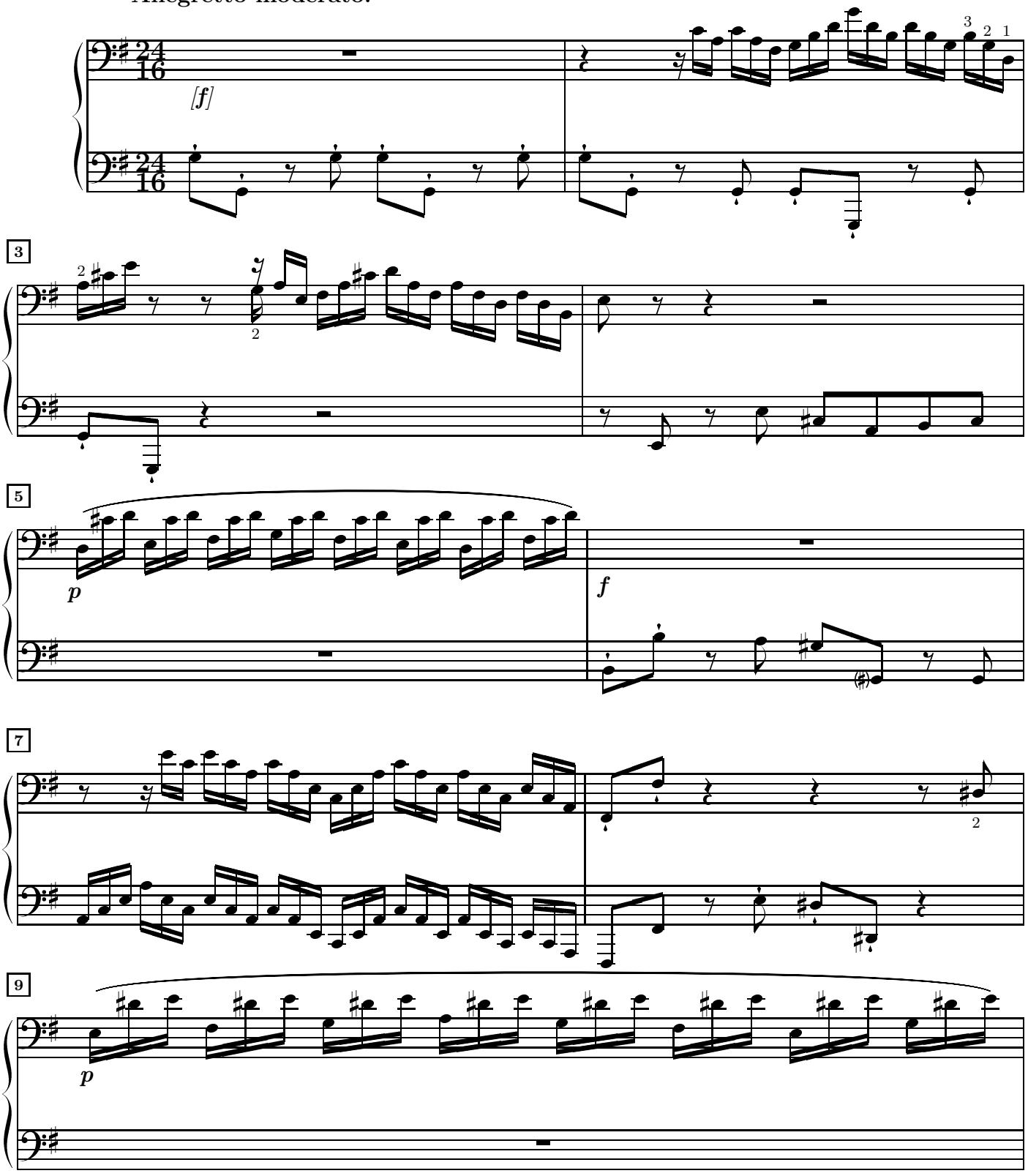

21
24
27
p
31
34
f
37
dim. rall.


21
25
tr
28
p
31
34
f
37
dim. rall.

15.e en sol majeur

Prélude
Allegretto moderato.

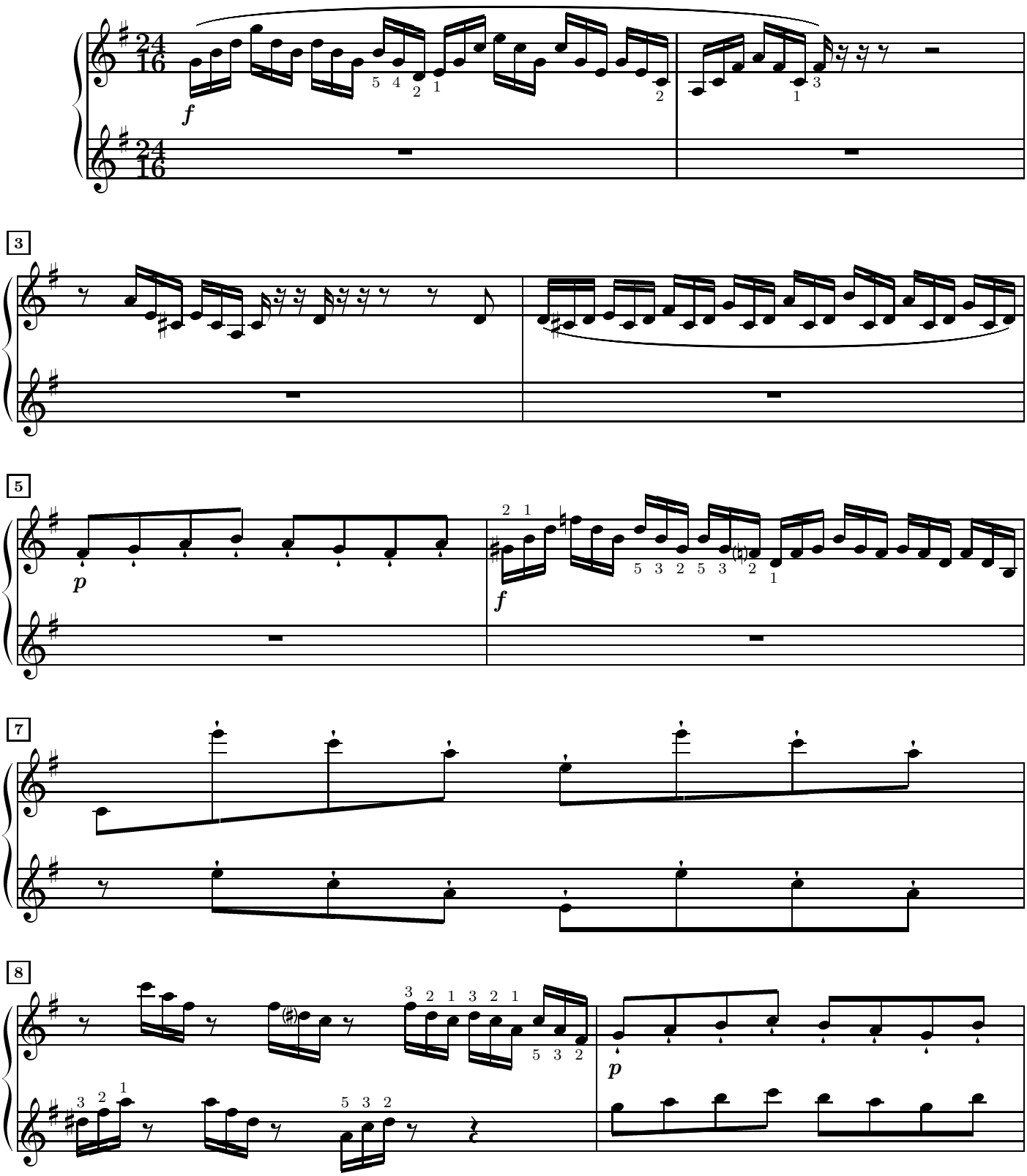
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

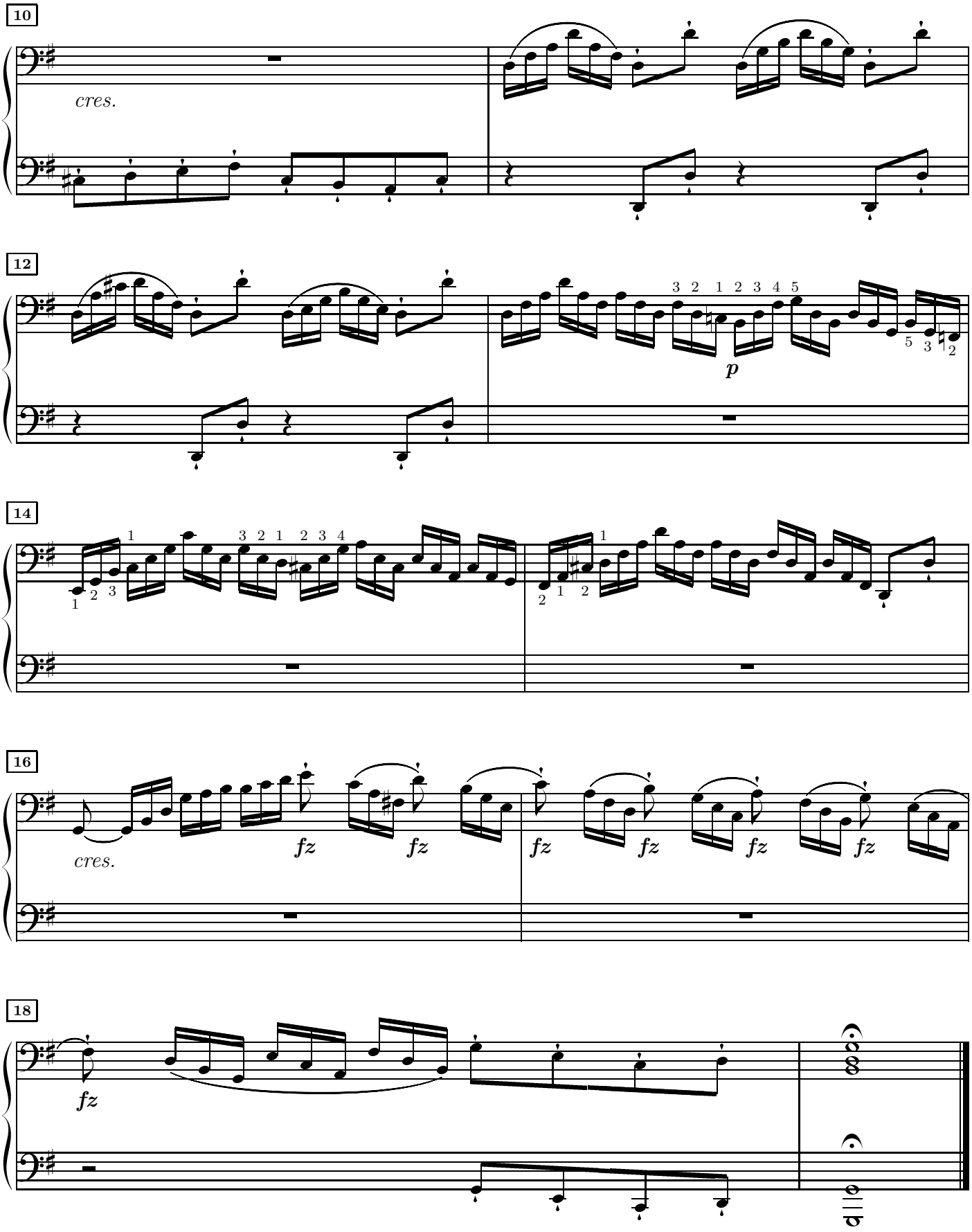


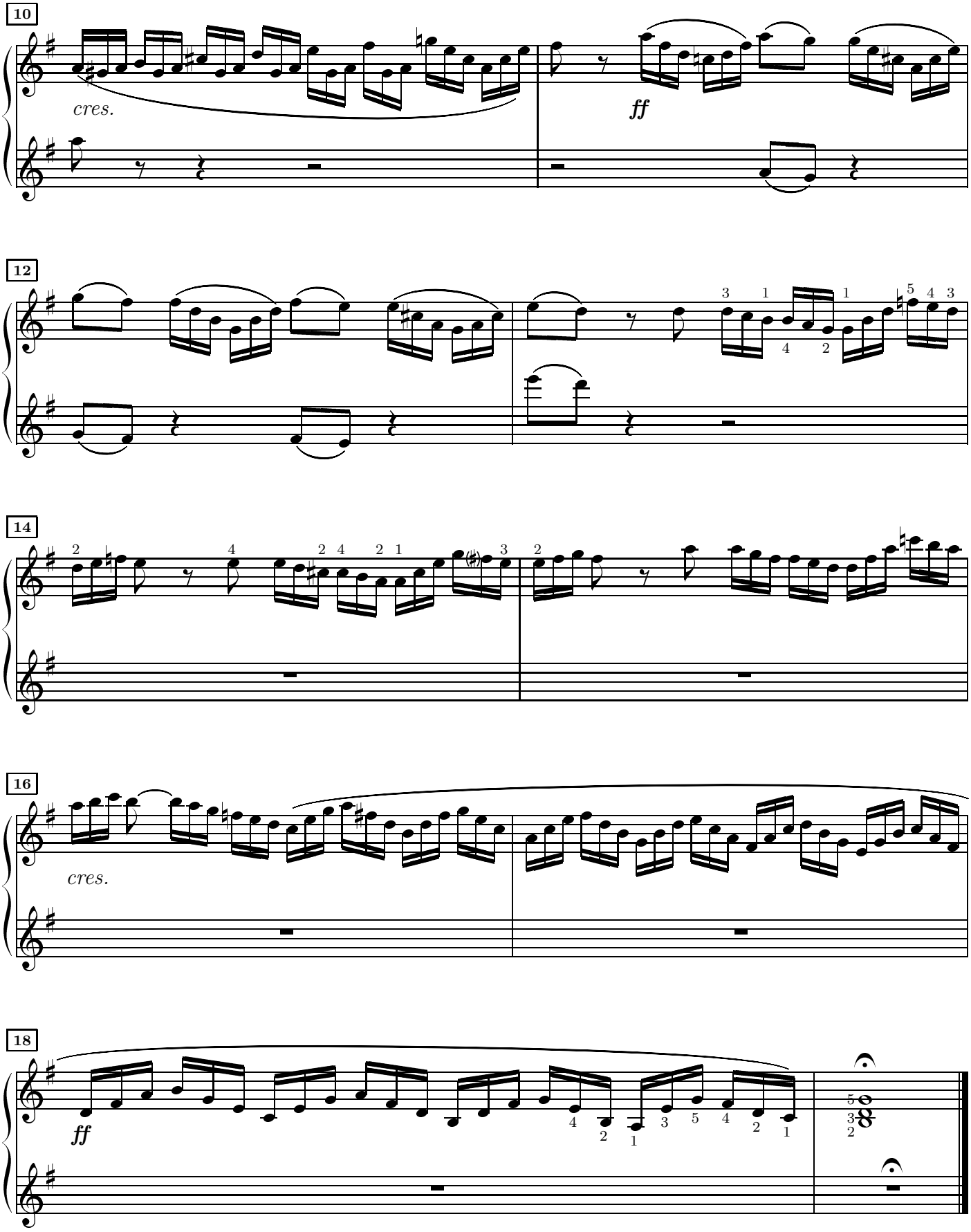
15.e en sol majeur

Prélude
Allegretto moderato.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

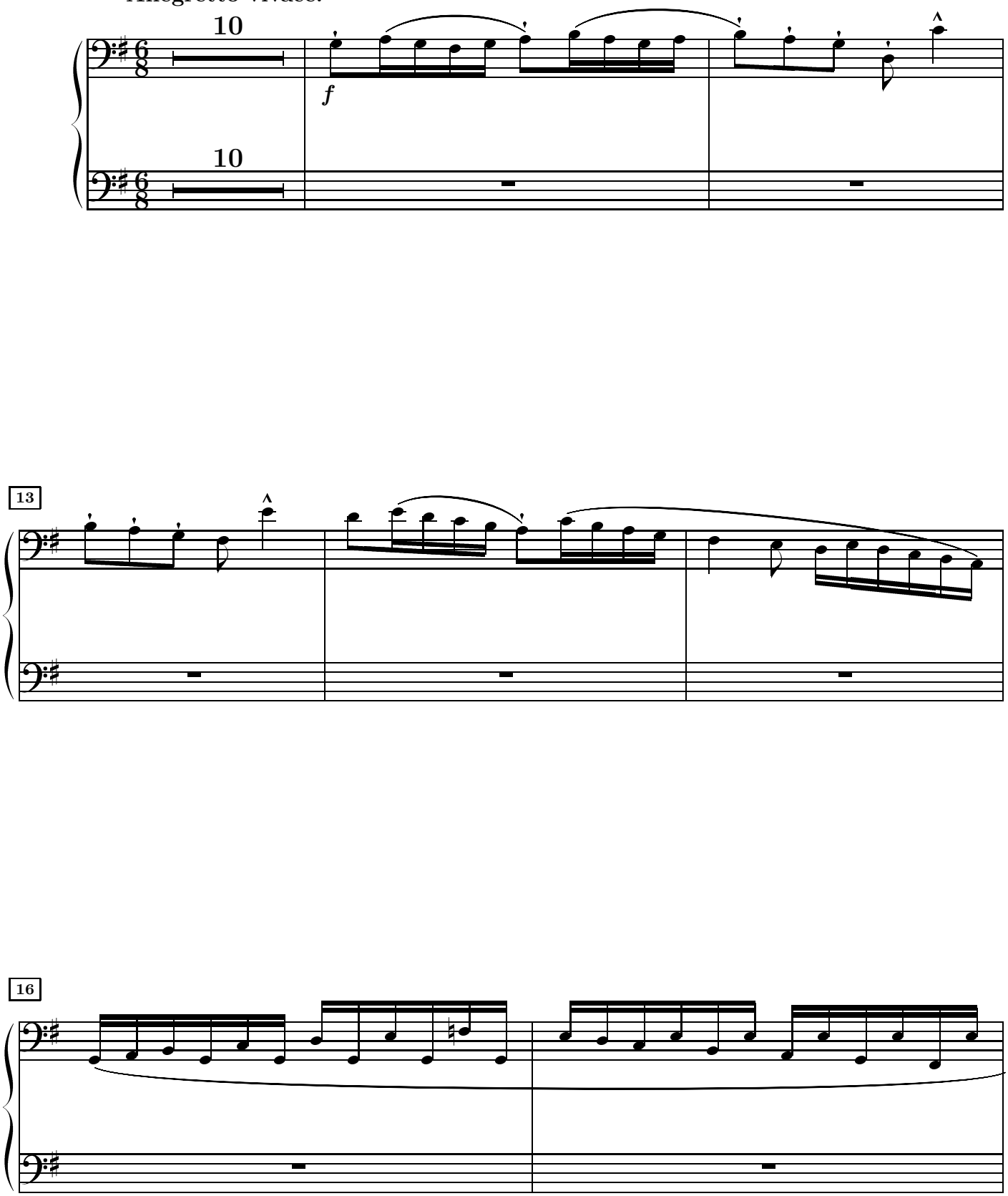



10
cres.
12
p
14
16
cres.
fz
18


10
cres.
ff
12
14
16
cres.
18
ff

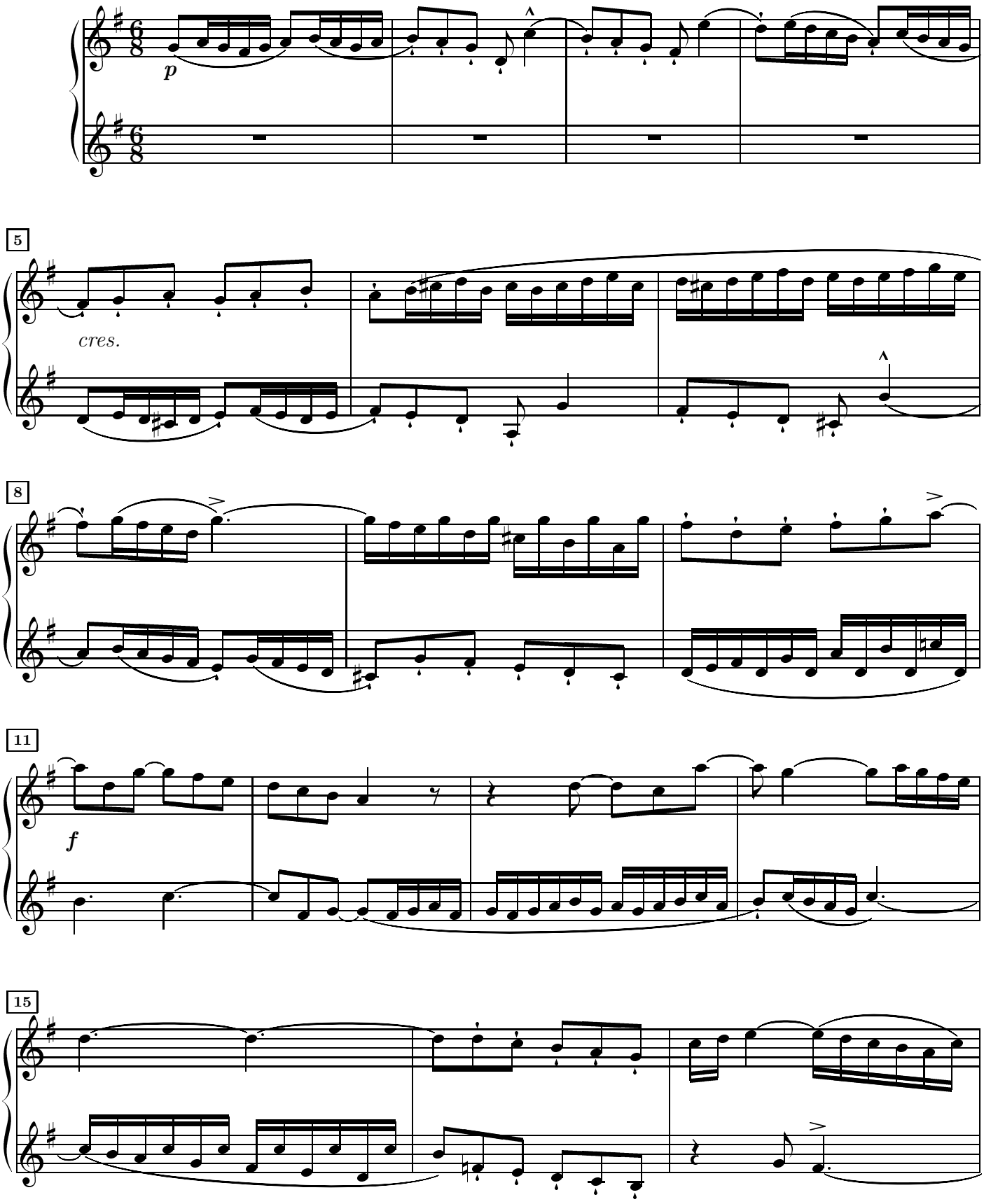
Fugue à 3 voix

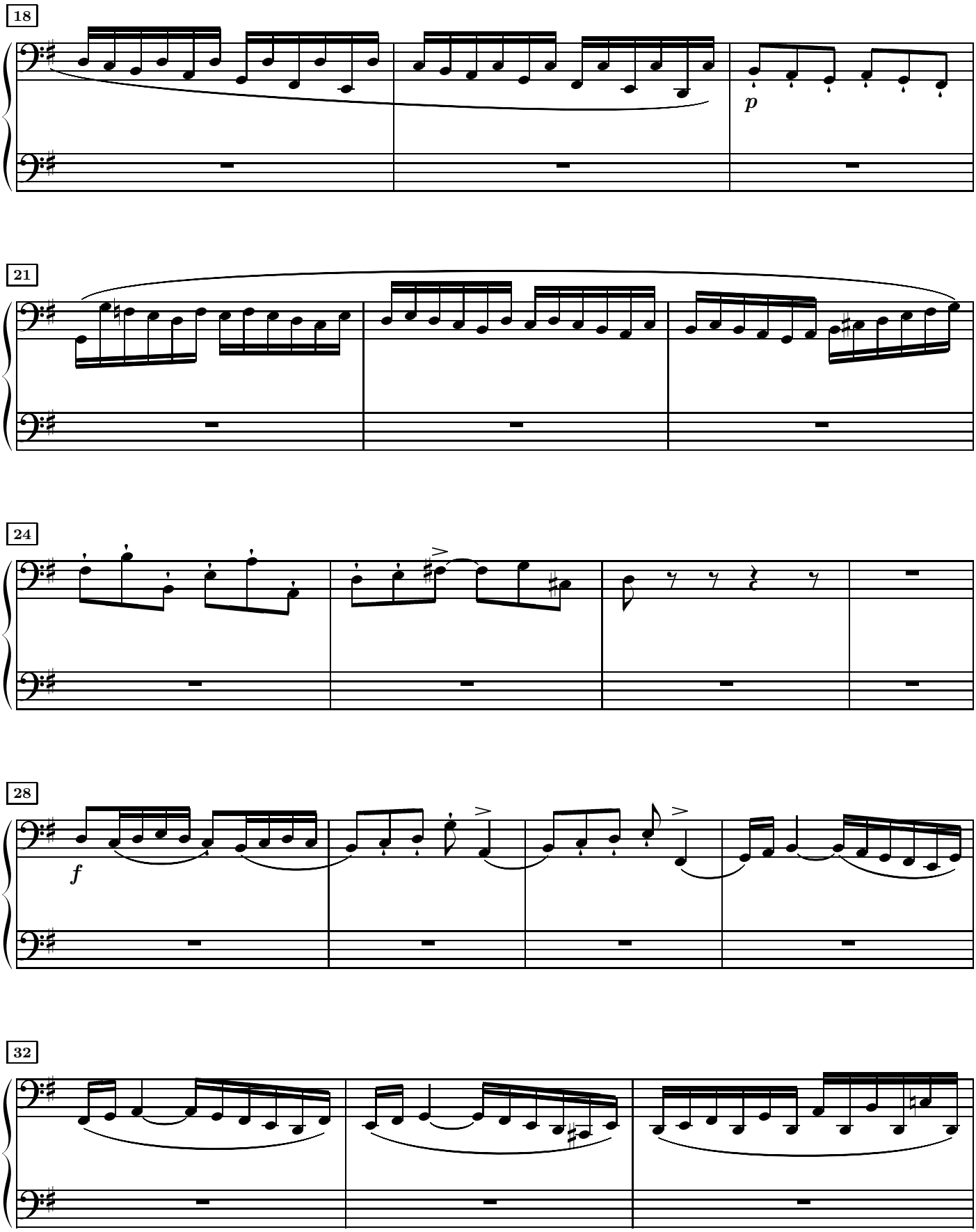
Allegretto vivace.

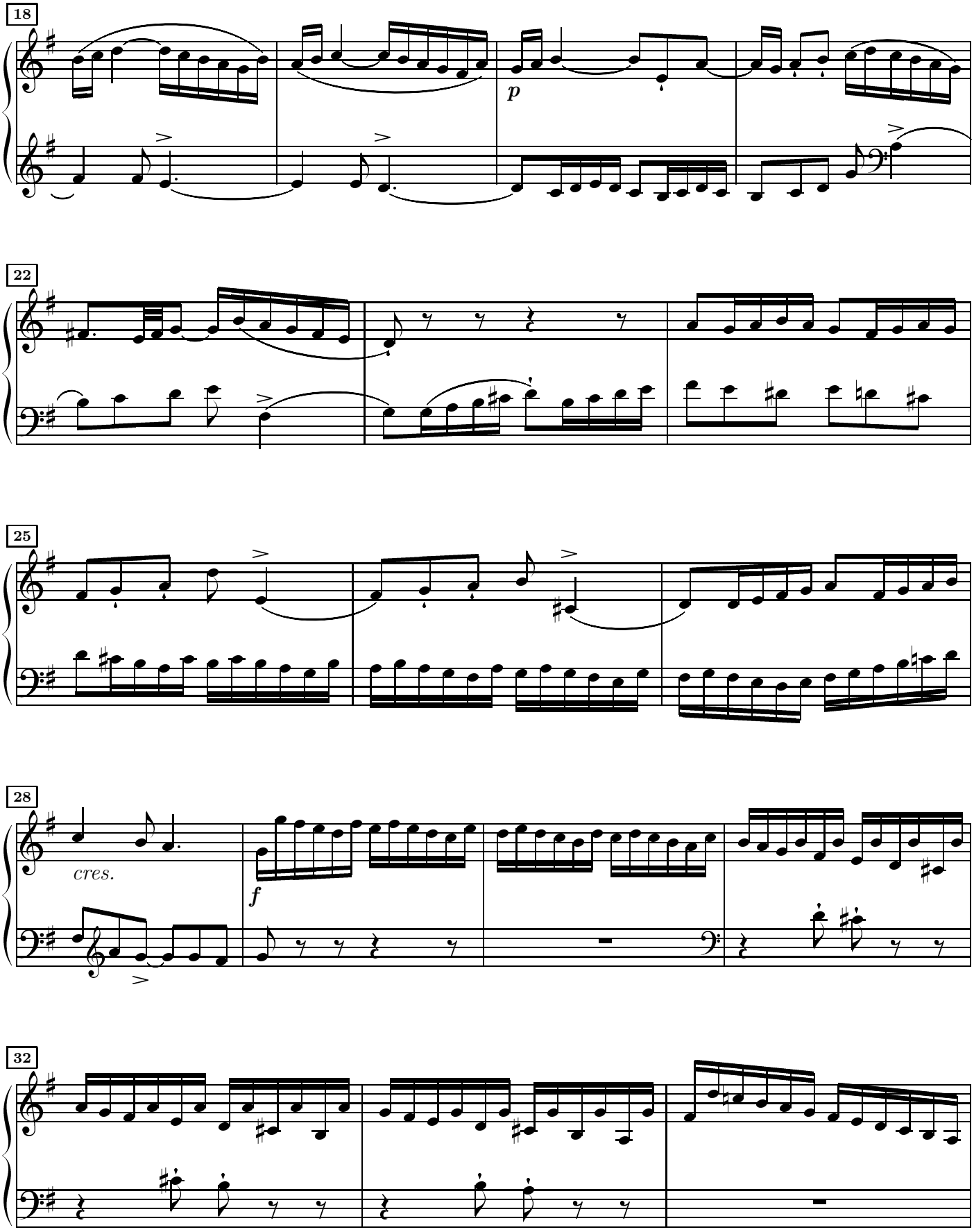


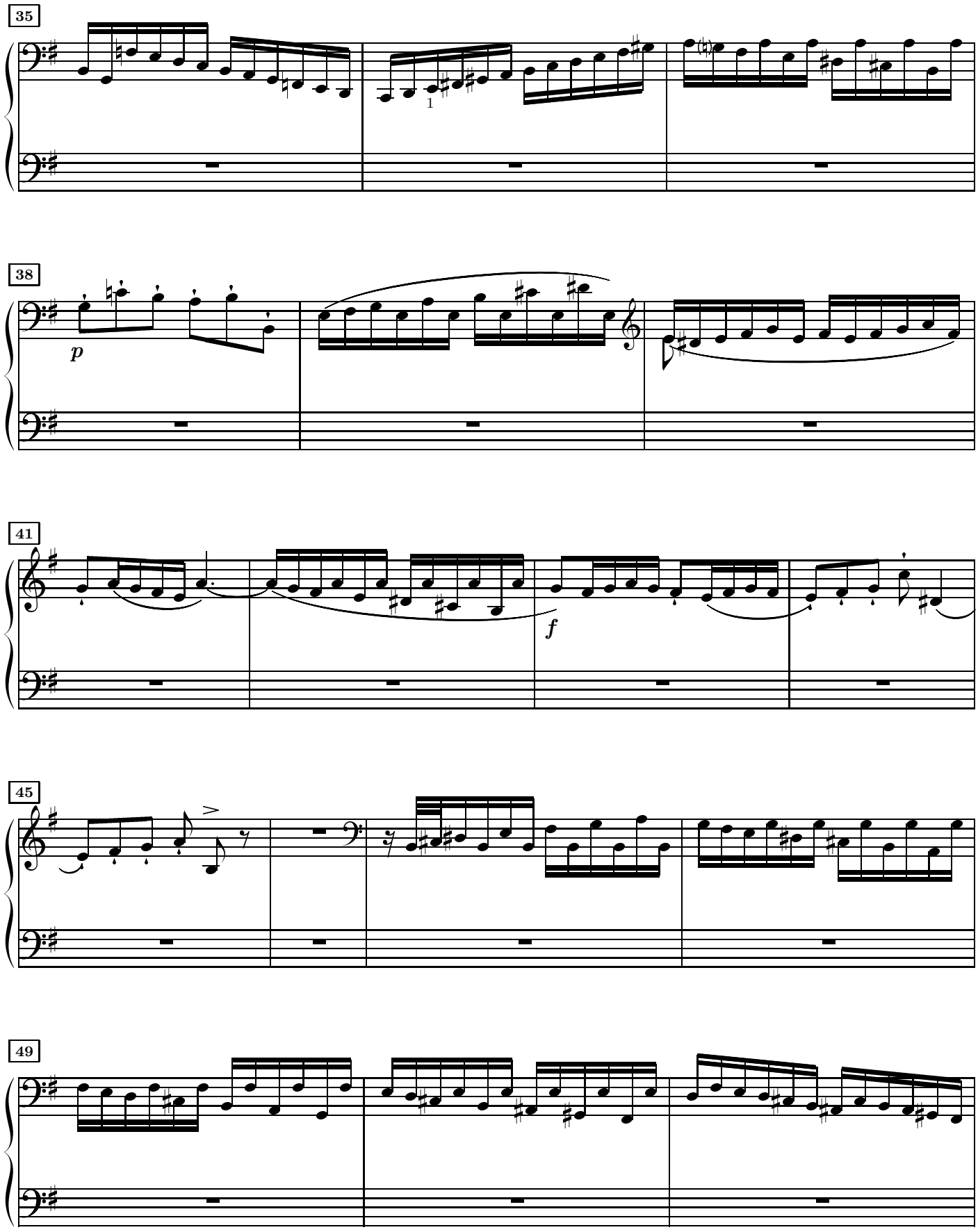
Fugue à 3 voix

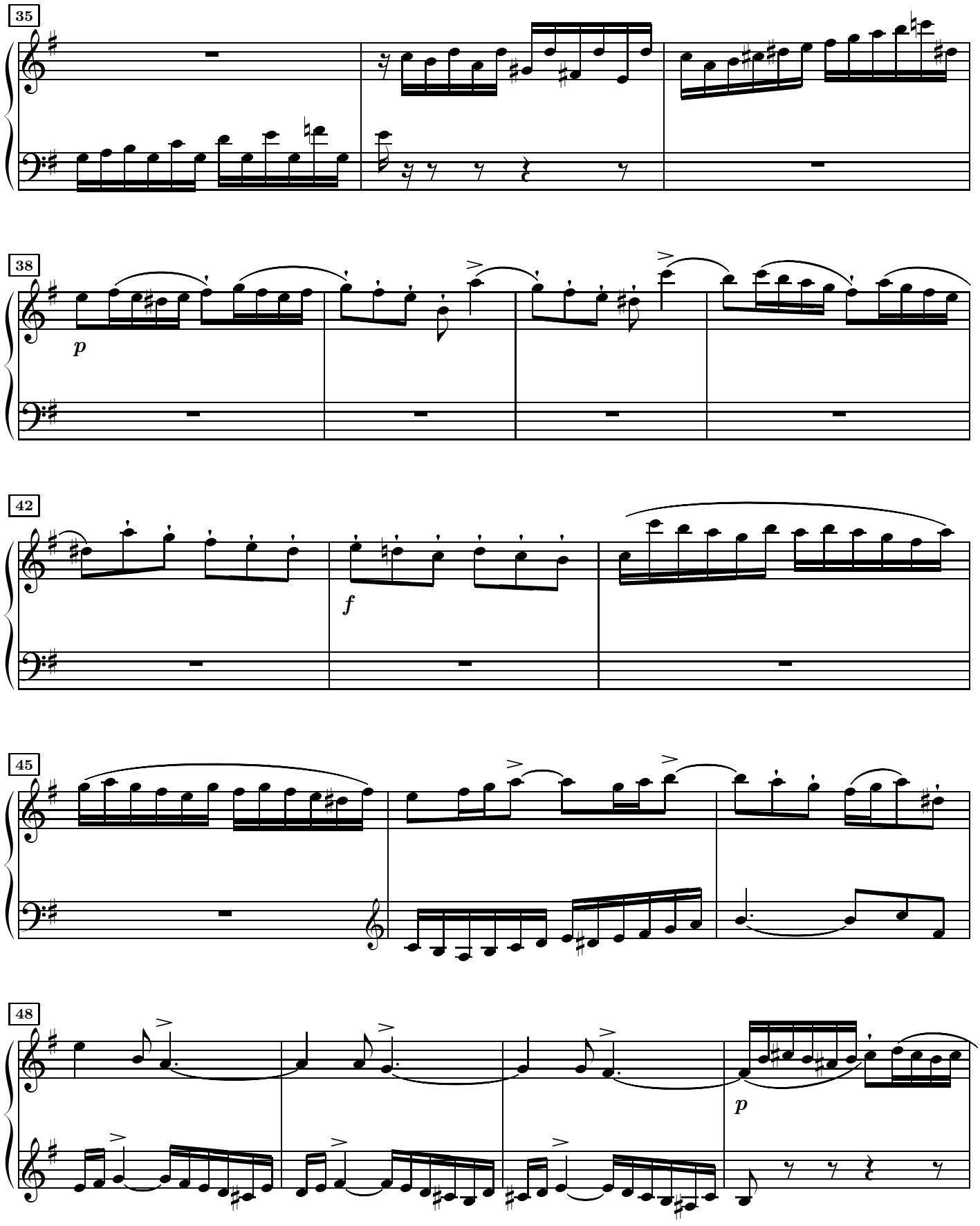
Allegretto vivace.

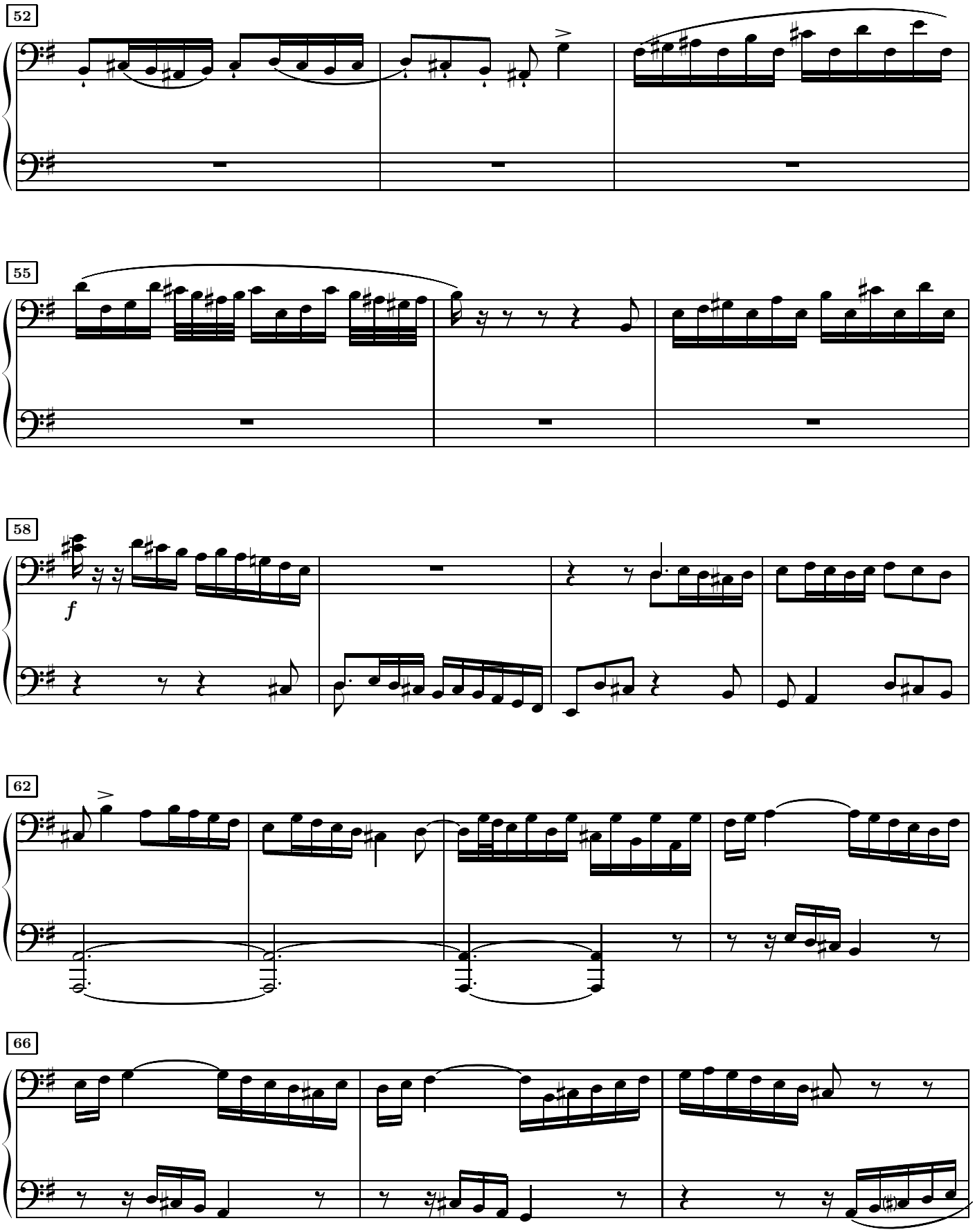


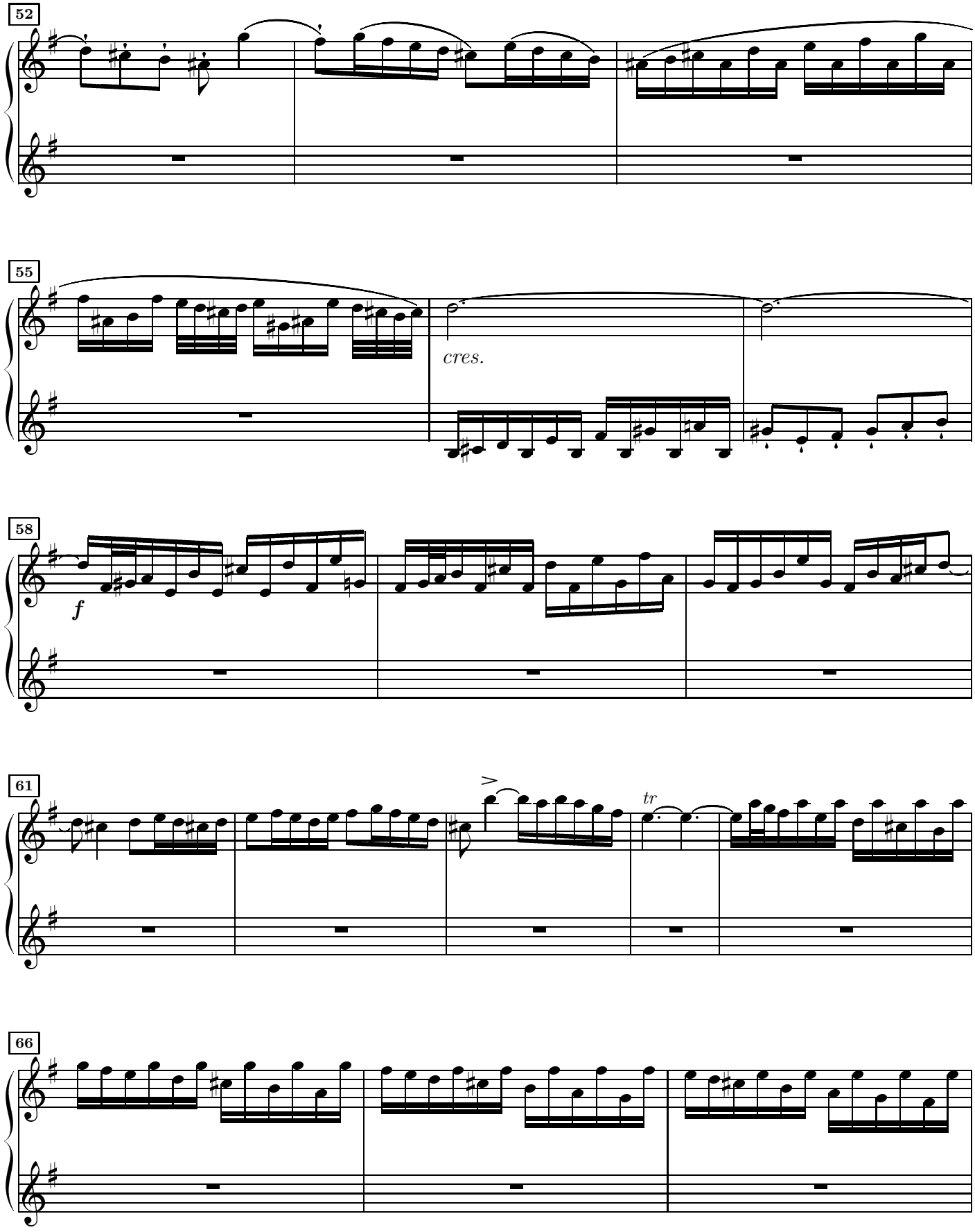

18
p
21
24
28
f
32

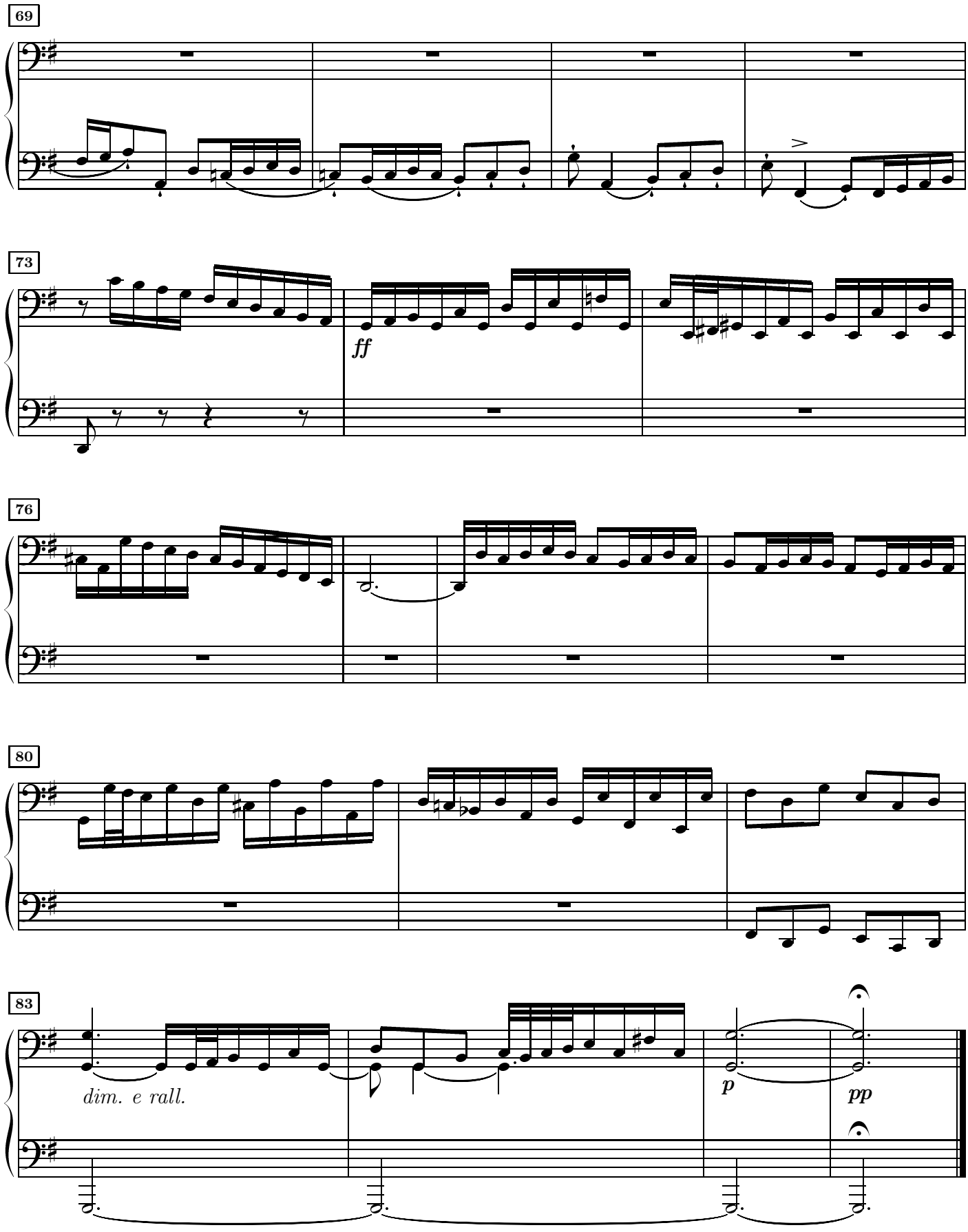

18
p
22
25
28
cres.
f
32

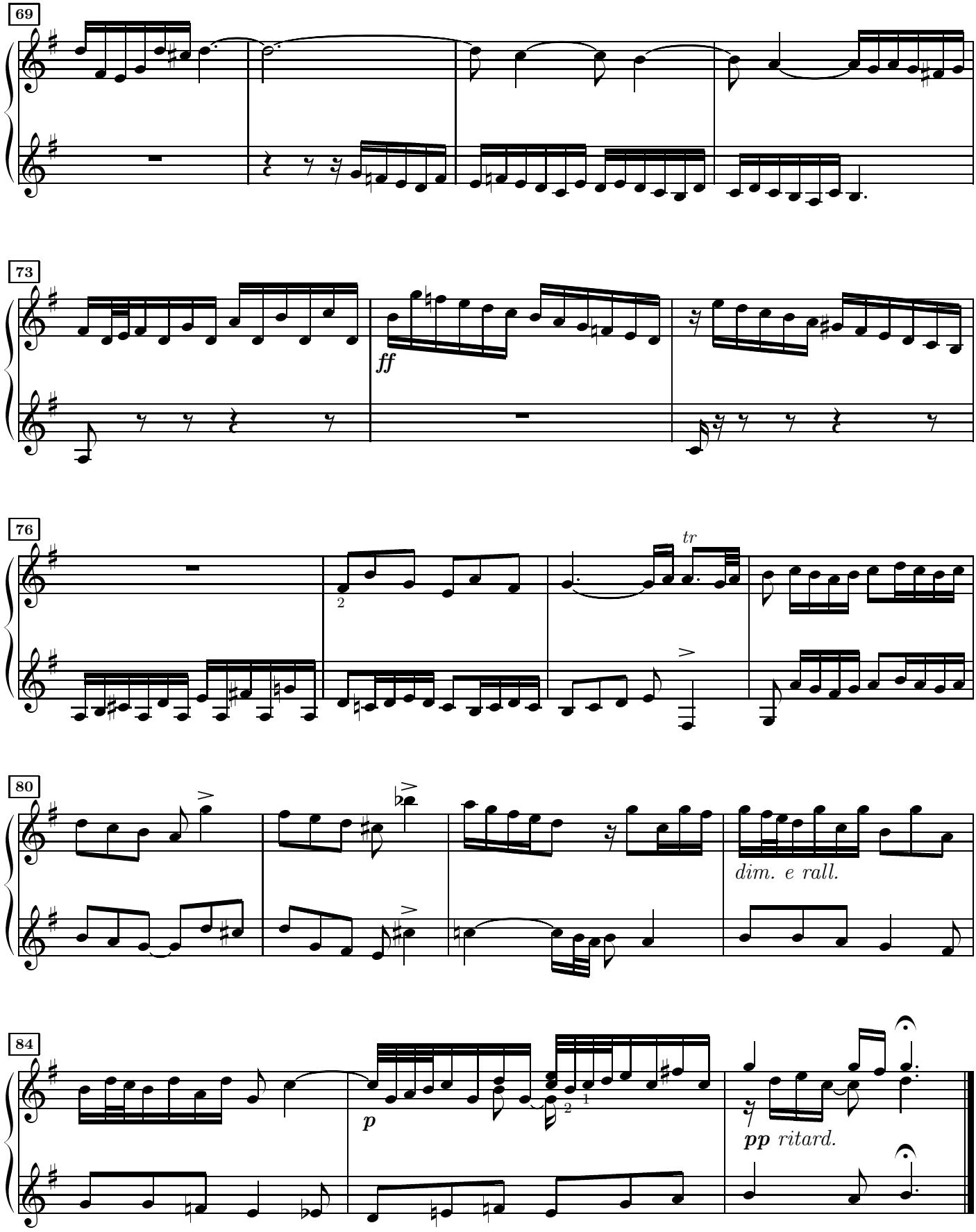

35
1
38
p
41
f
45
49


35
38
p
42
f
45
48
p


52
55
58
f
62
66


52
55
cres.
58
f
61
tr
66

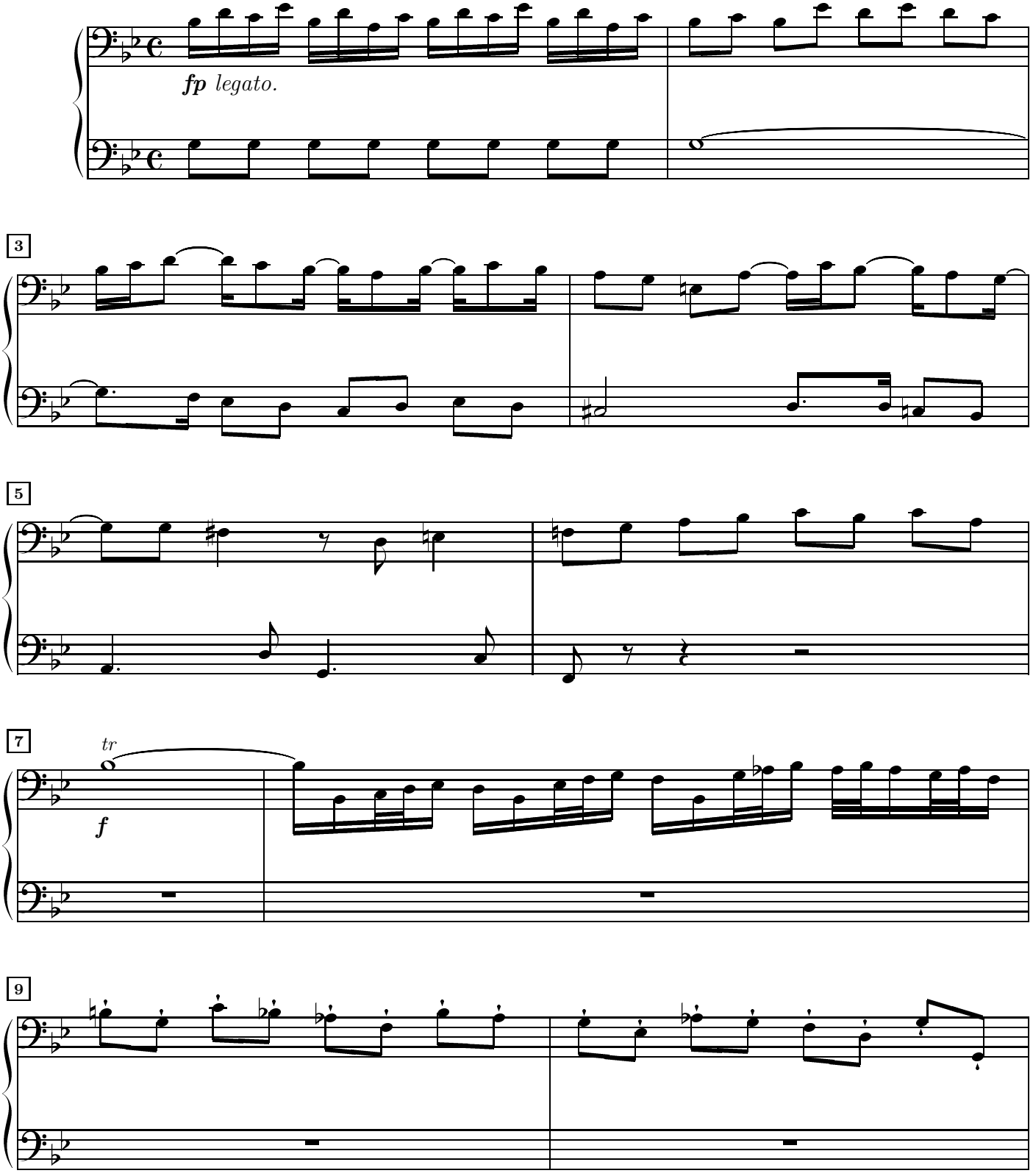

69
73
ff
76
80
83
dim. e rall.
p
pp


69
73
ff
76
tr
80
dim. e rall.
84
p
pp ritard.

16.e en sol mineur

Prélude
Lento.

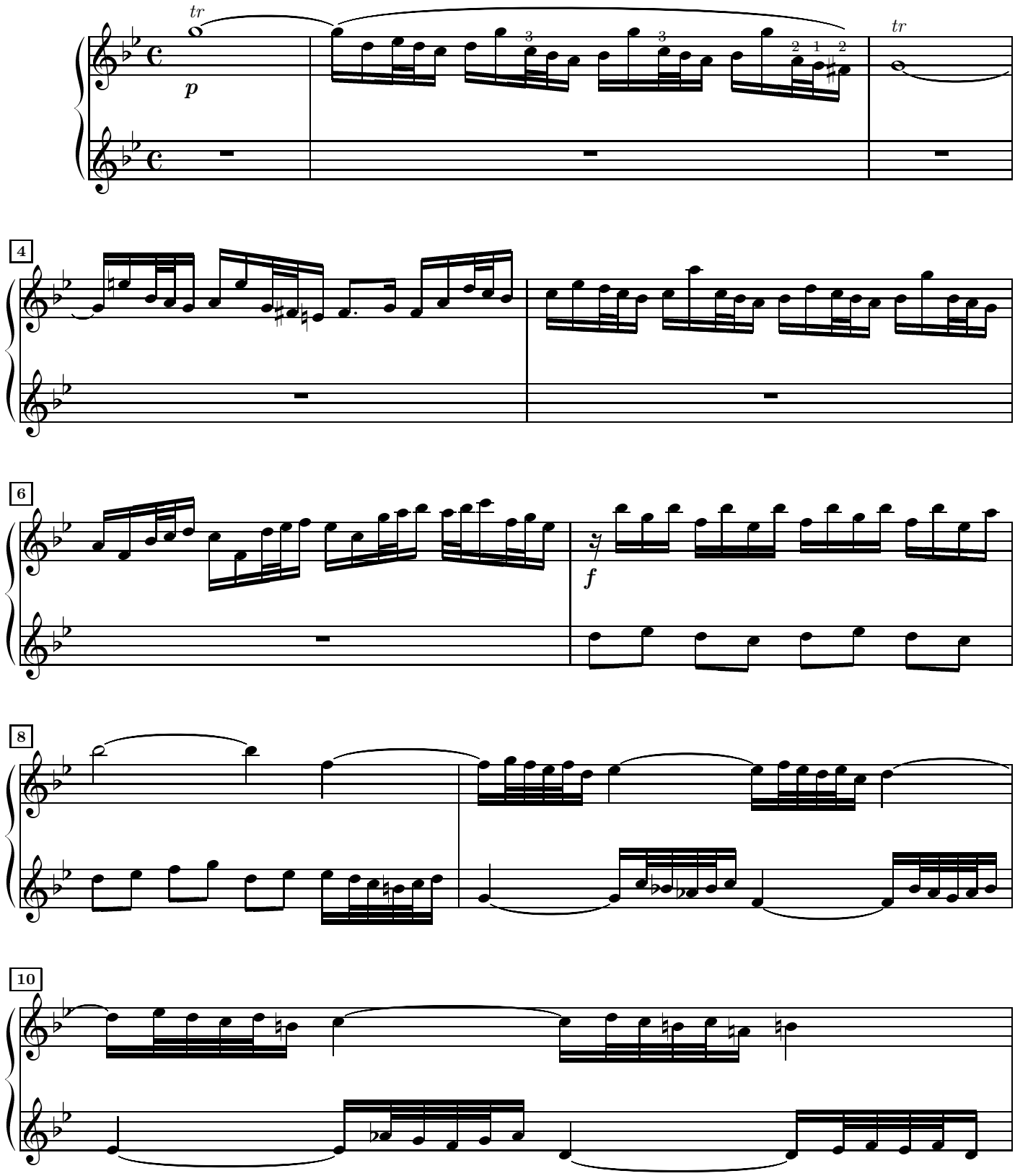
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

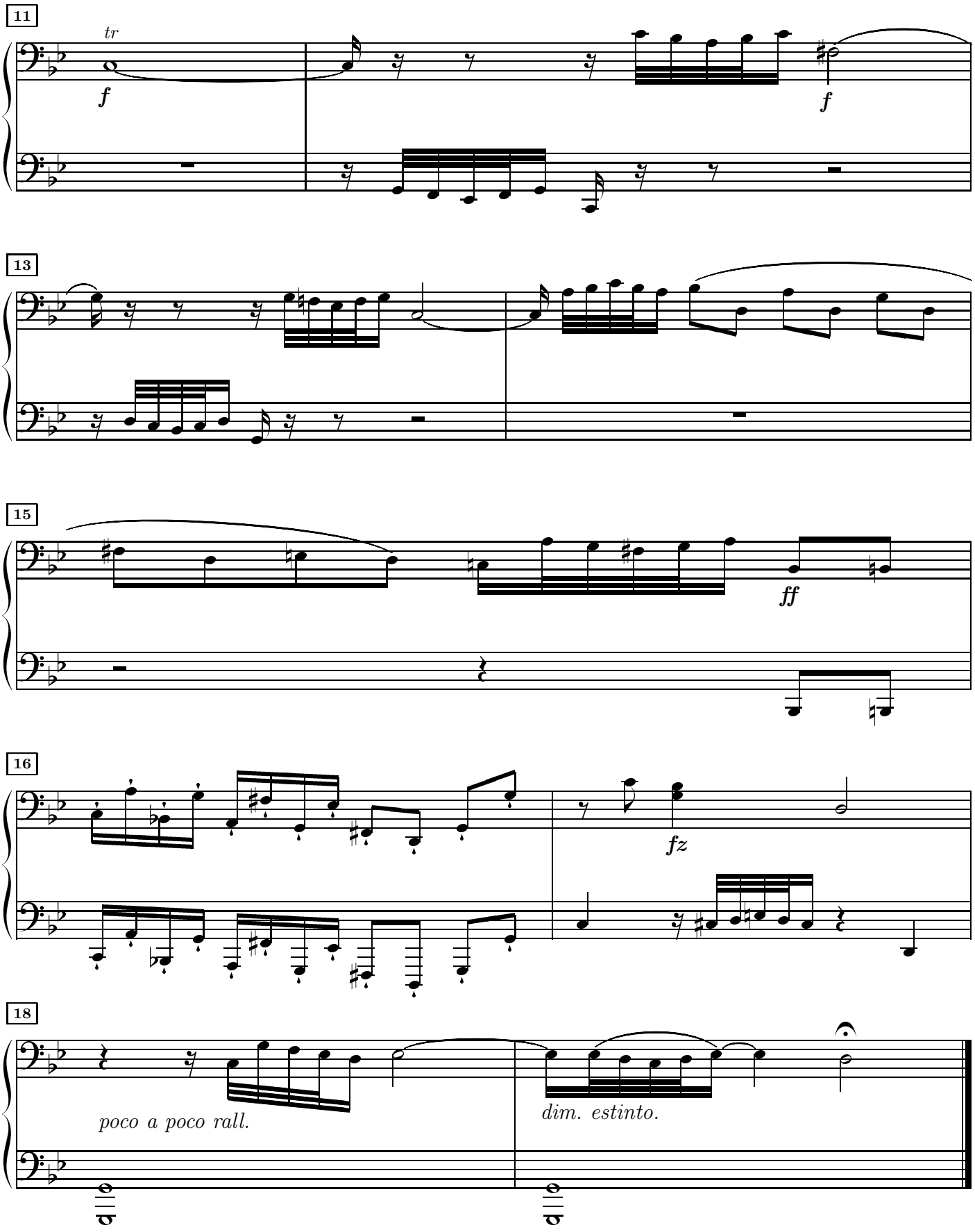


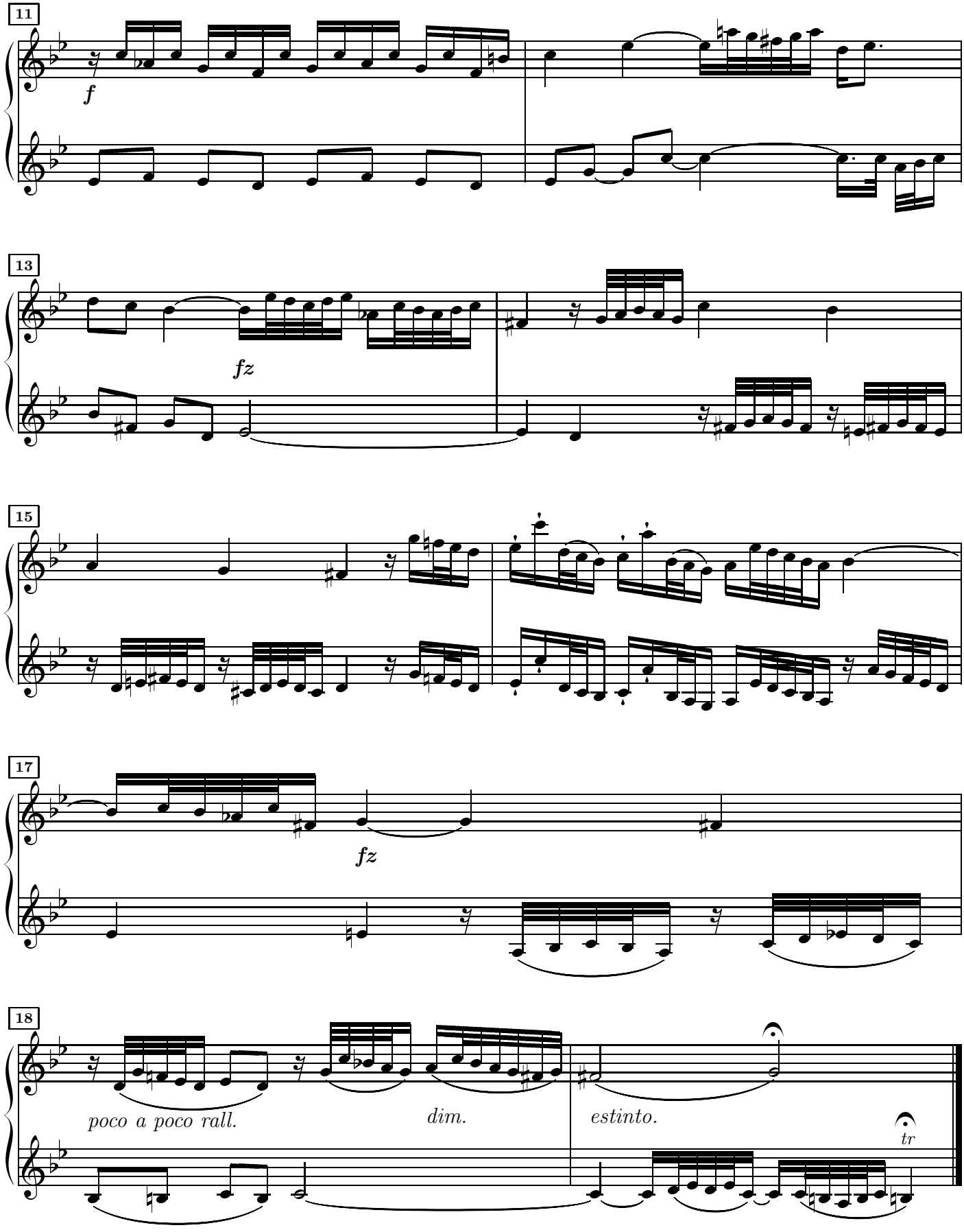
16.e en sol mineur

Prélude
Lento.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

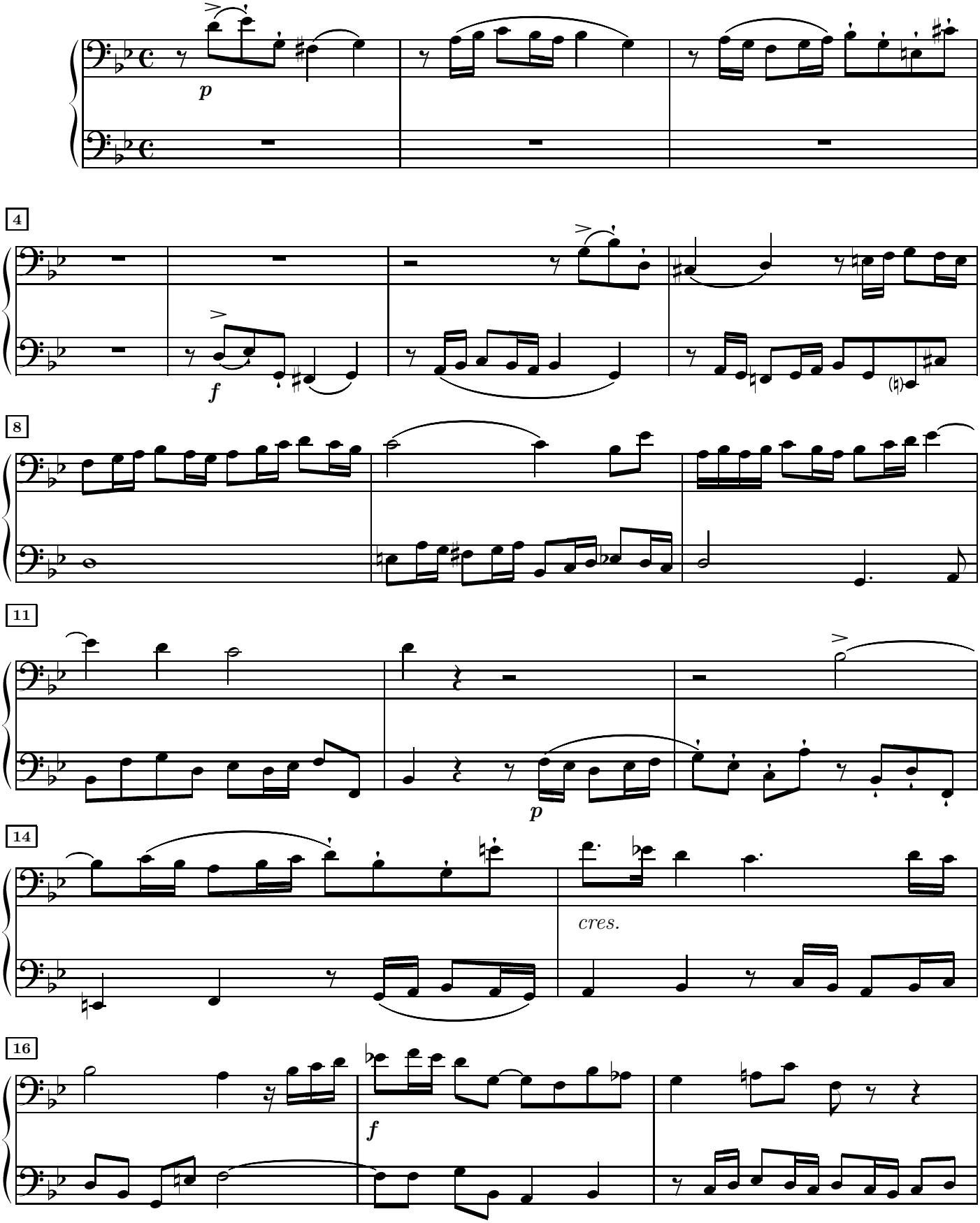



11
tr
f
f
13
15
ff
16
fz
18
poco a poco rall.
dim. estinto.


11
f
13
fz
15
17
fz
18
poco a poco rall.
dim.
estinto.
tr

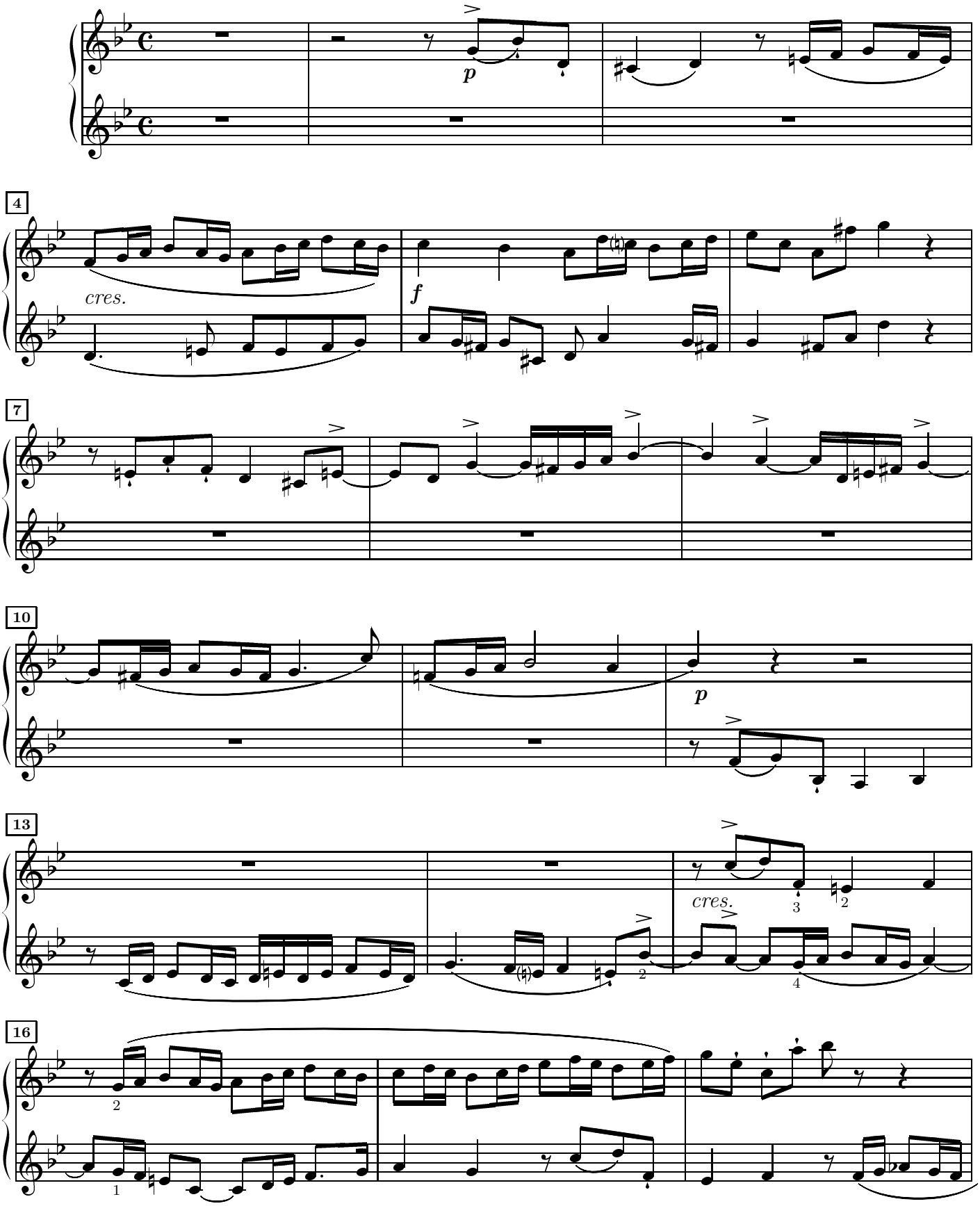
Fugue à 4 voix

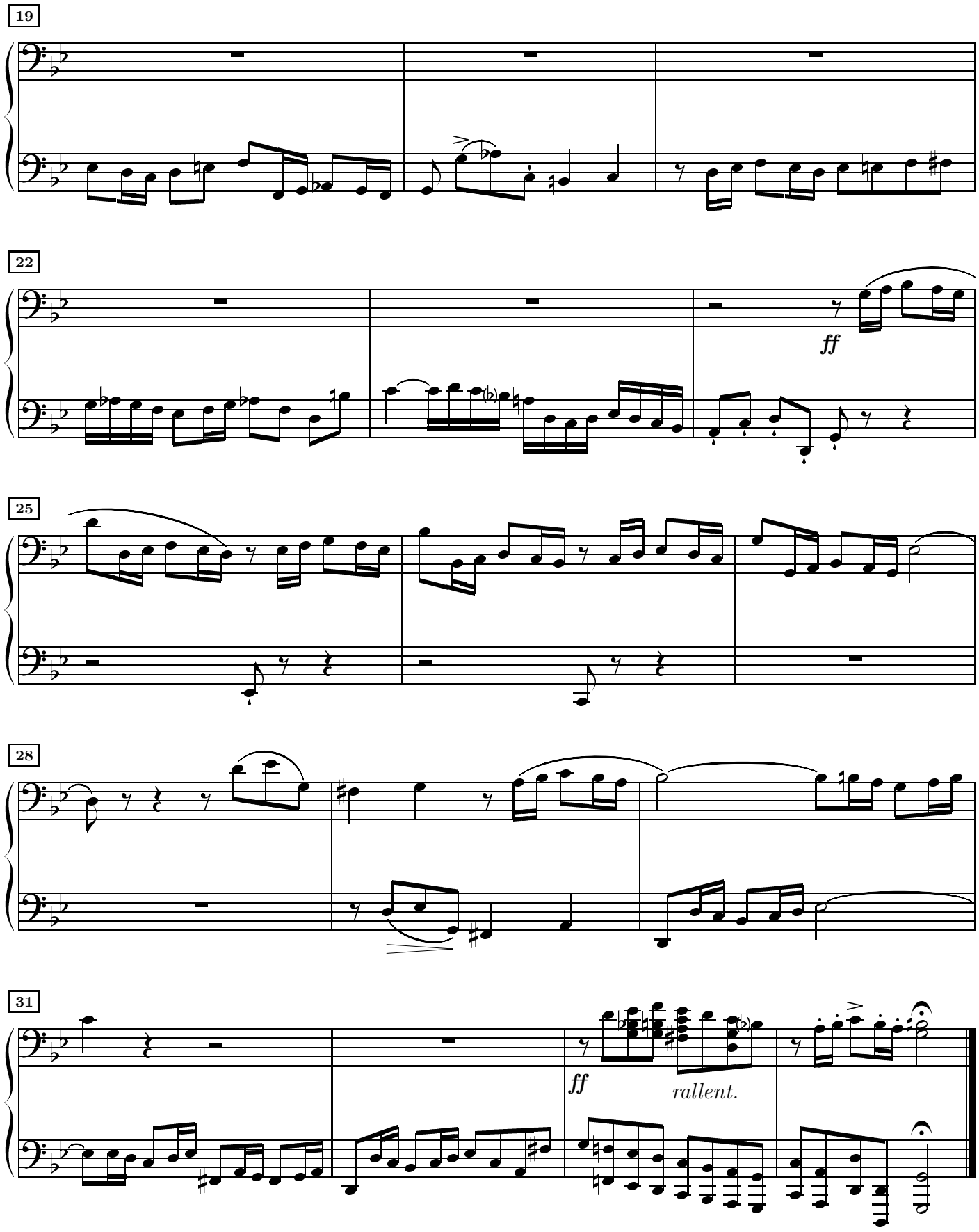
Andante.

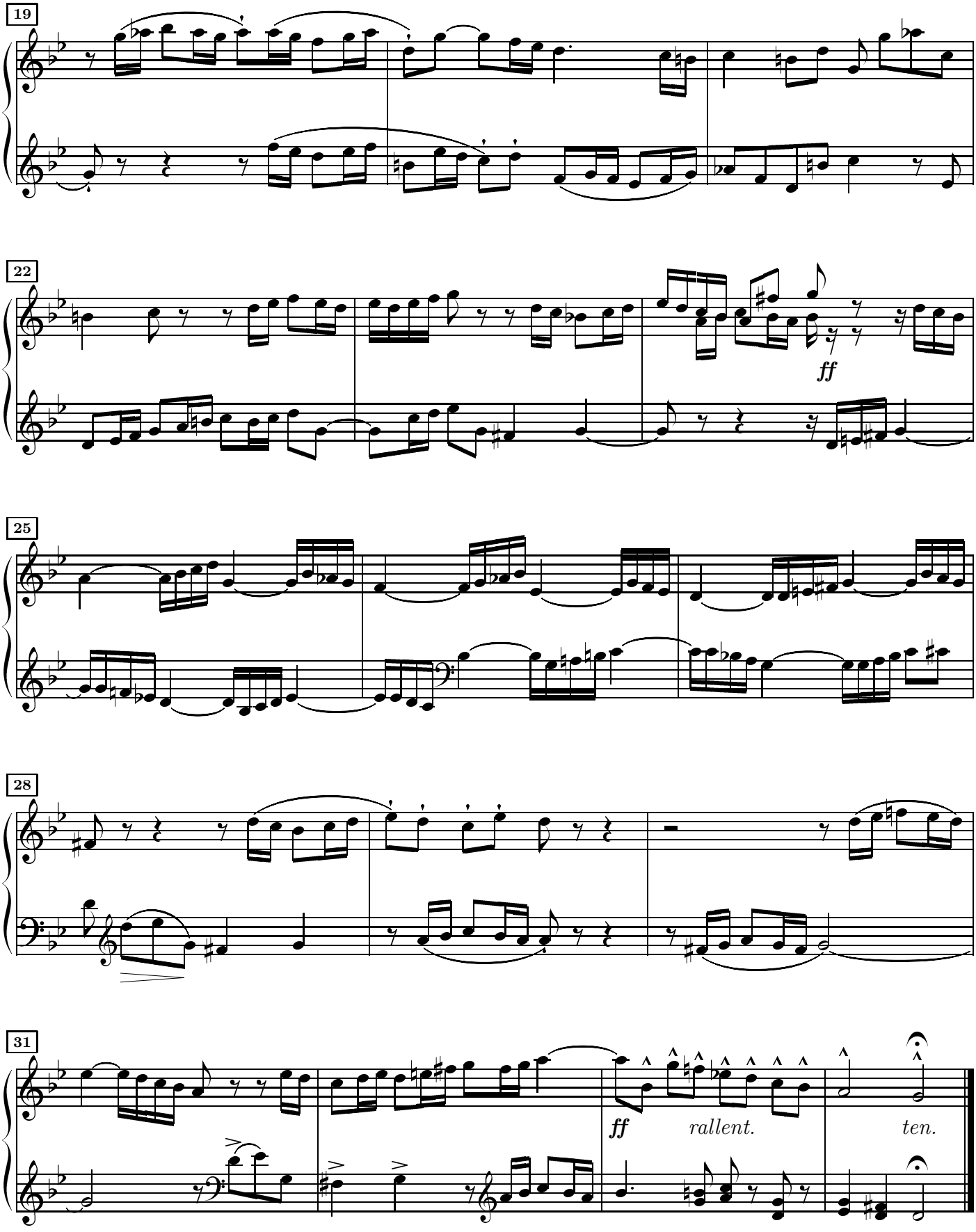


Fugue à 4 voix

Andante.



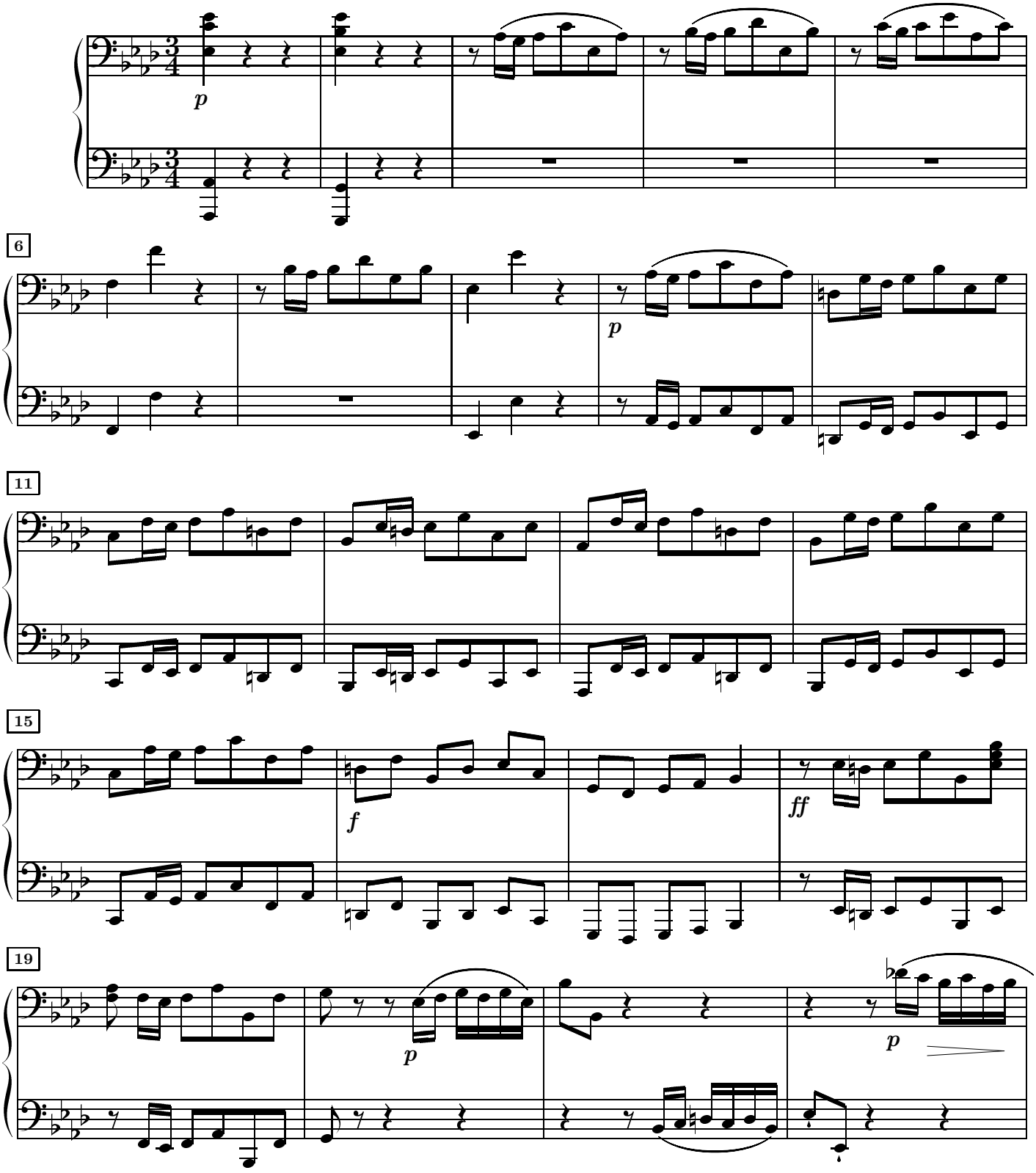

19
22
ff
25
28
31
ff
rallent.


19
22
ff
25
28
31
ff
rallent.
ten.

17.e en la bémol majeur

Prélude
Moderato.

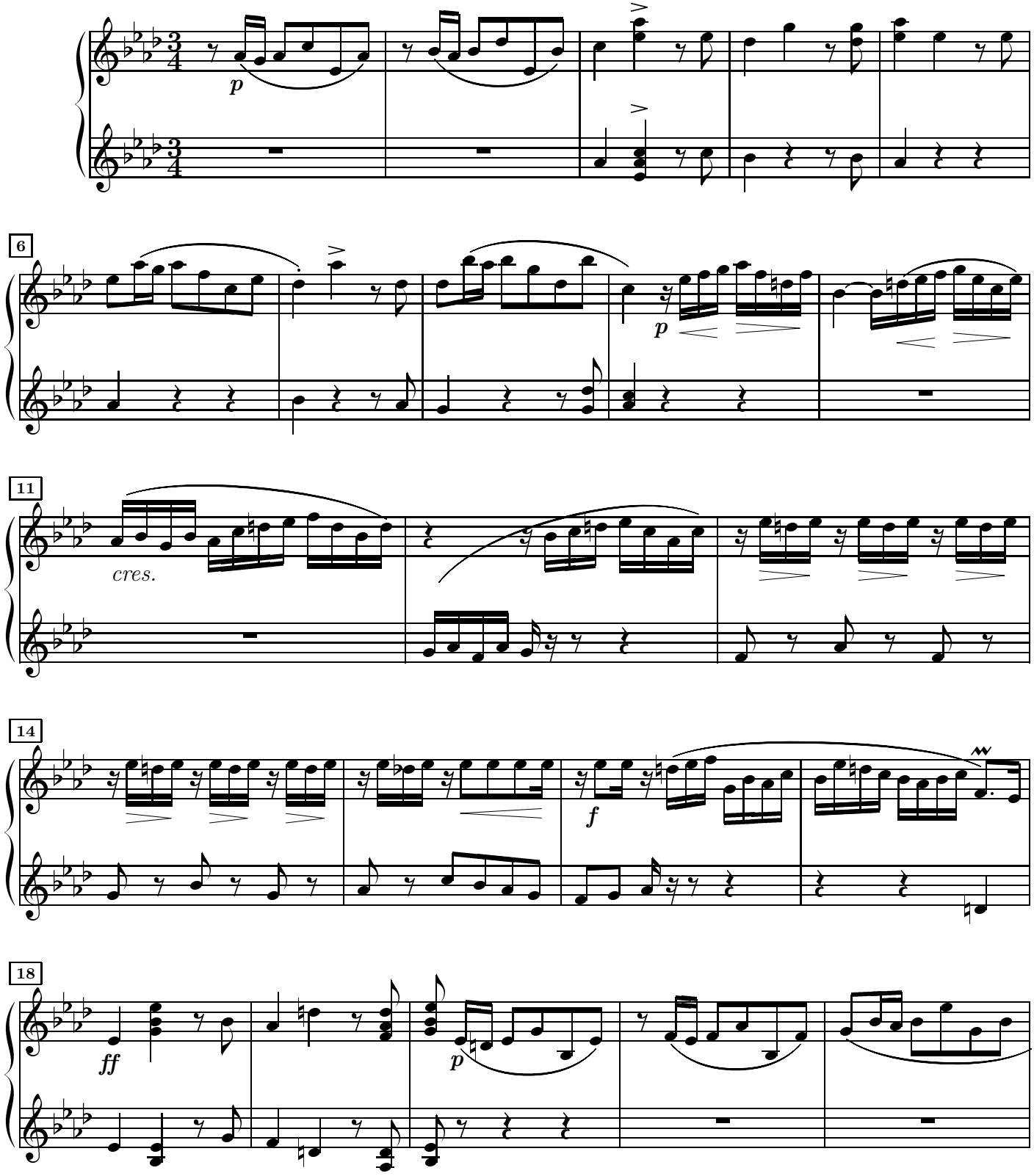
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

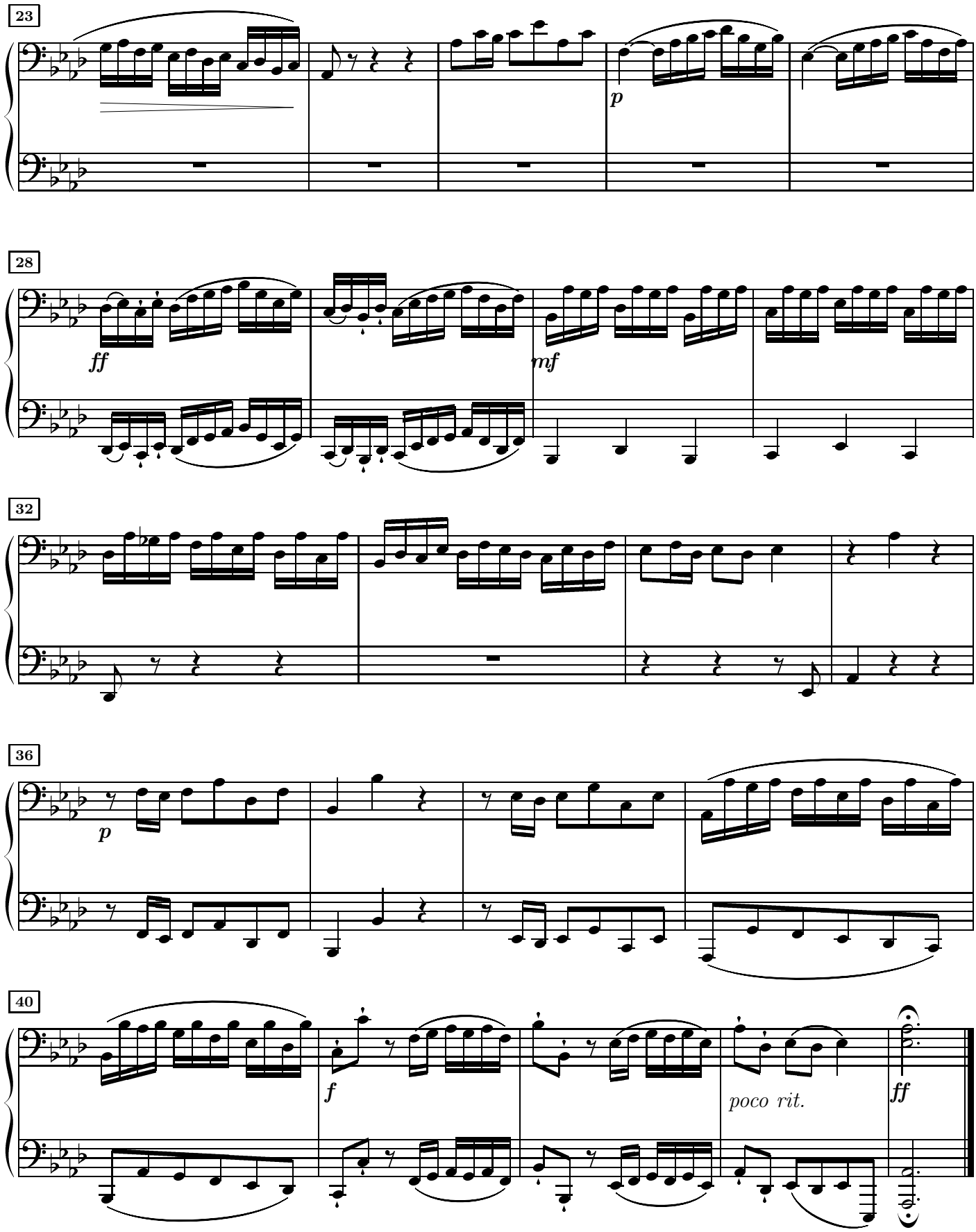


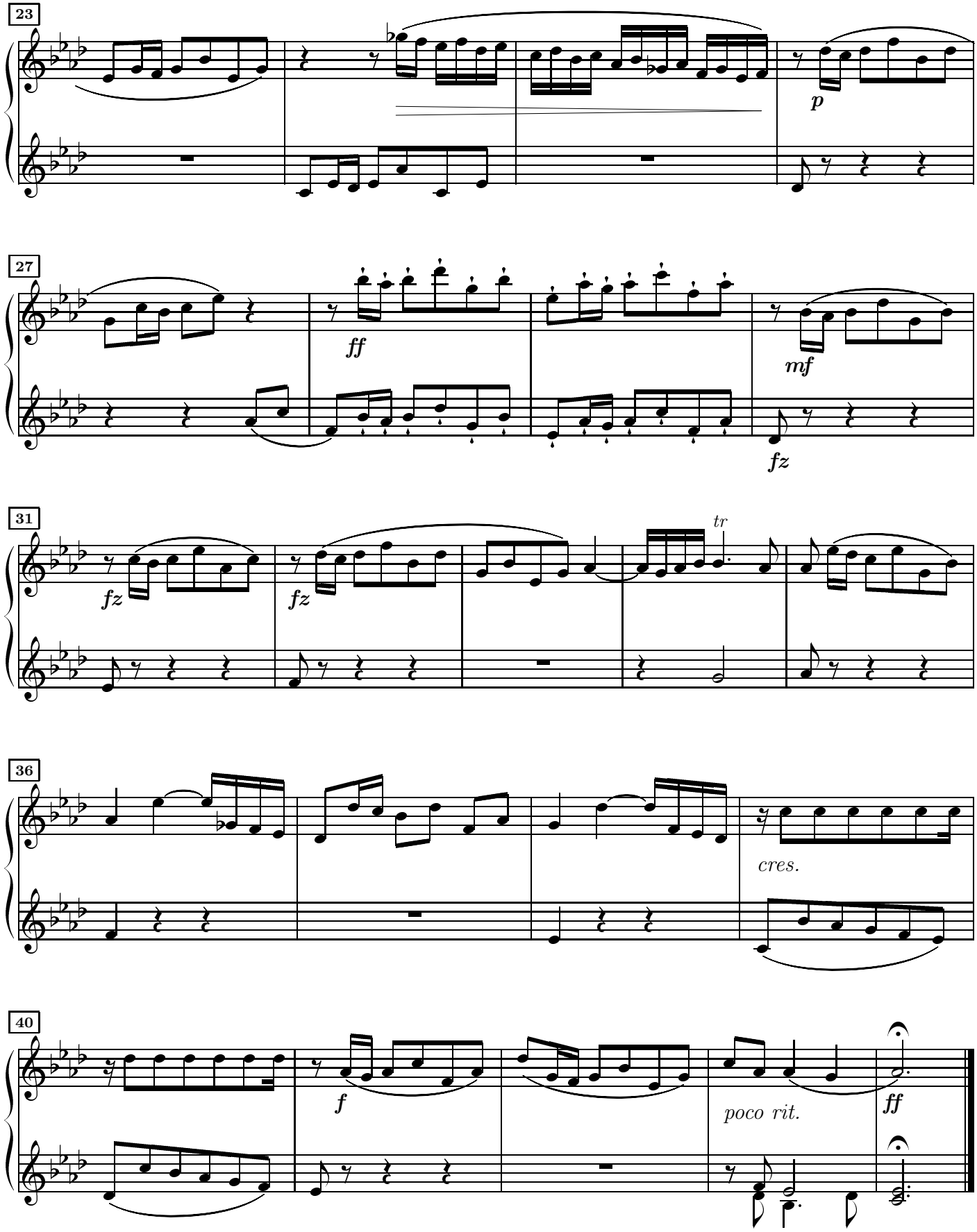
17.e en la bémol majeur

Prélude
Moderato.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

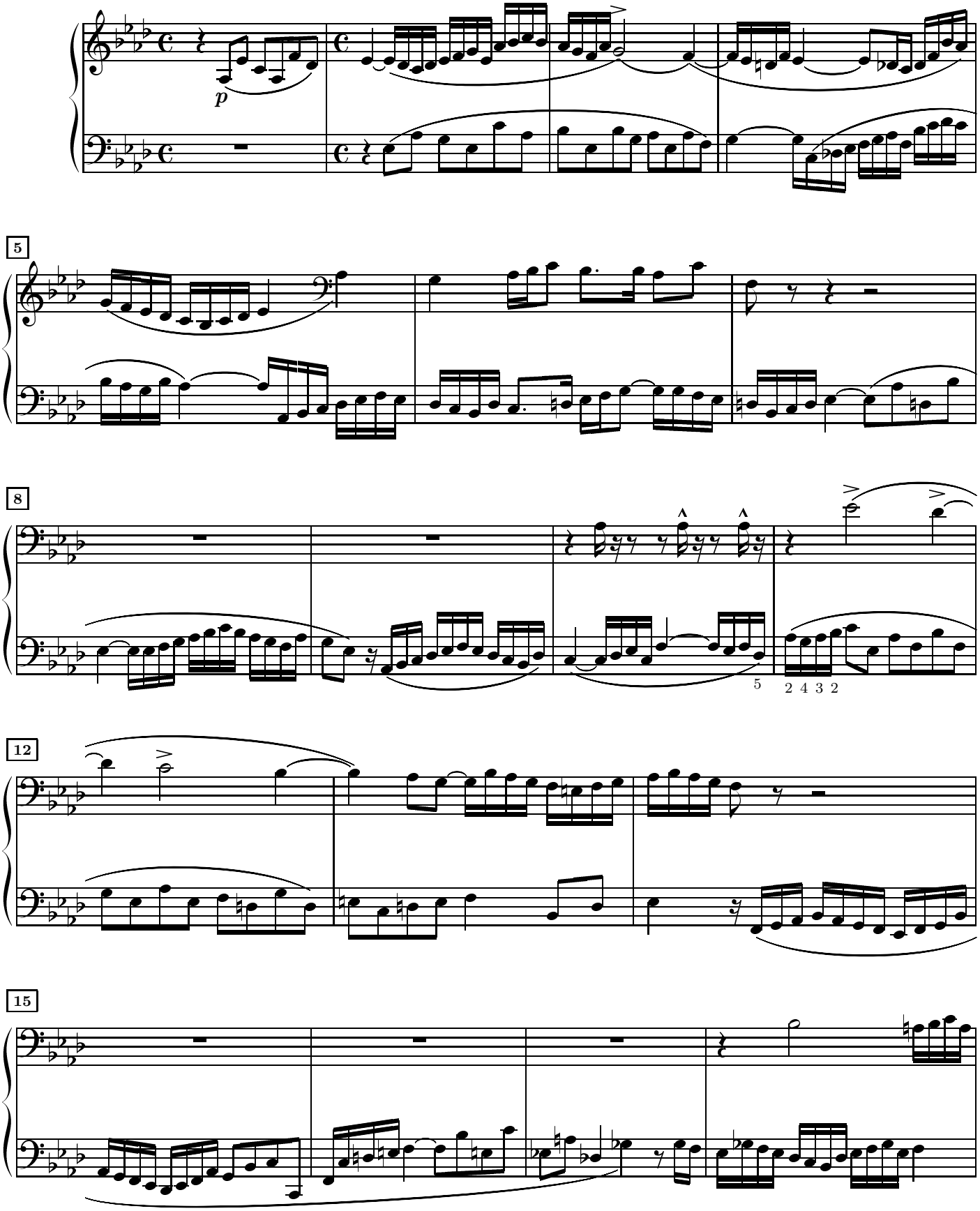



23
p
28
ff
mf
32
36
p
40
f
poco rit.
ff


23
p
27
ff
mf
fz
31
fz
fz
tr
36
cres.
40
f
poco rit.
ff

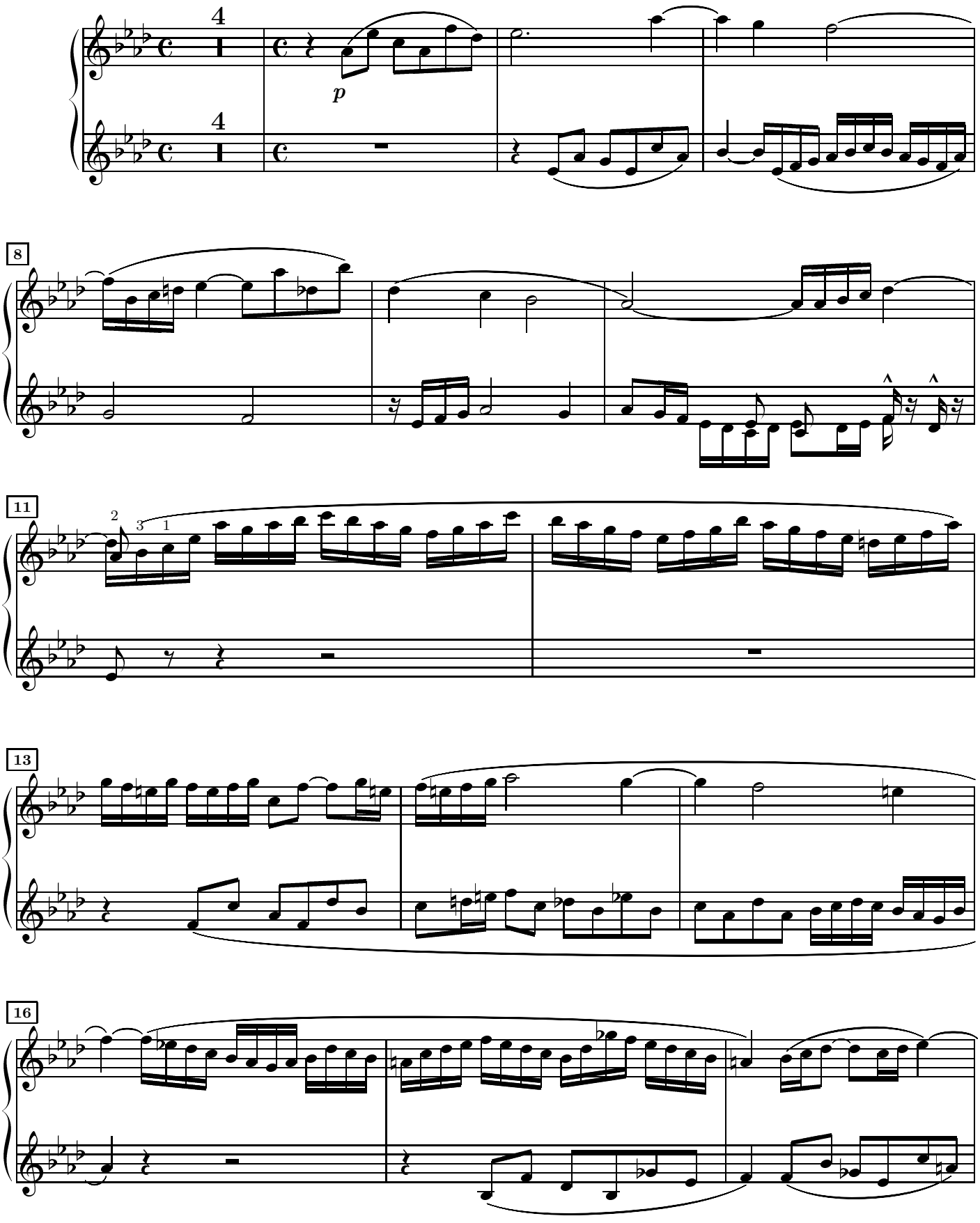
Fugue à 4 voix

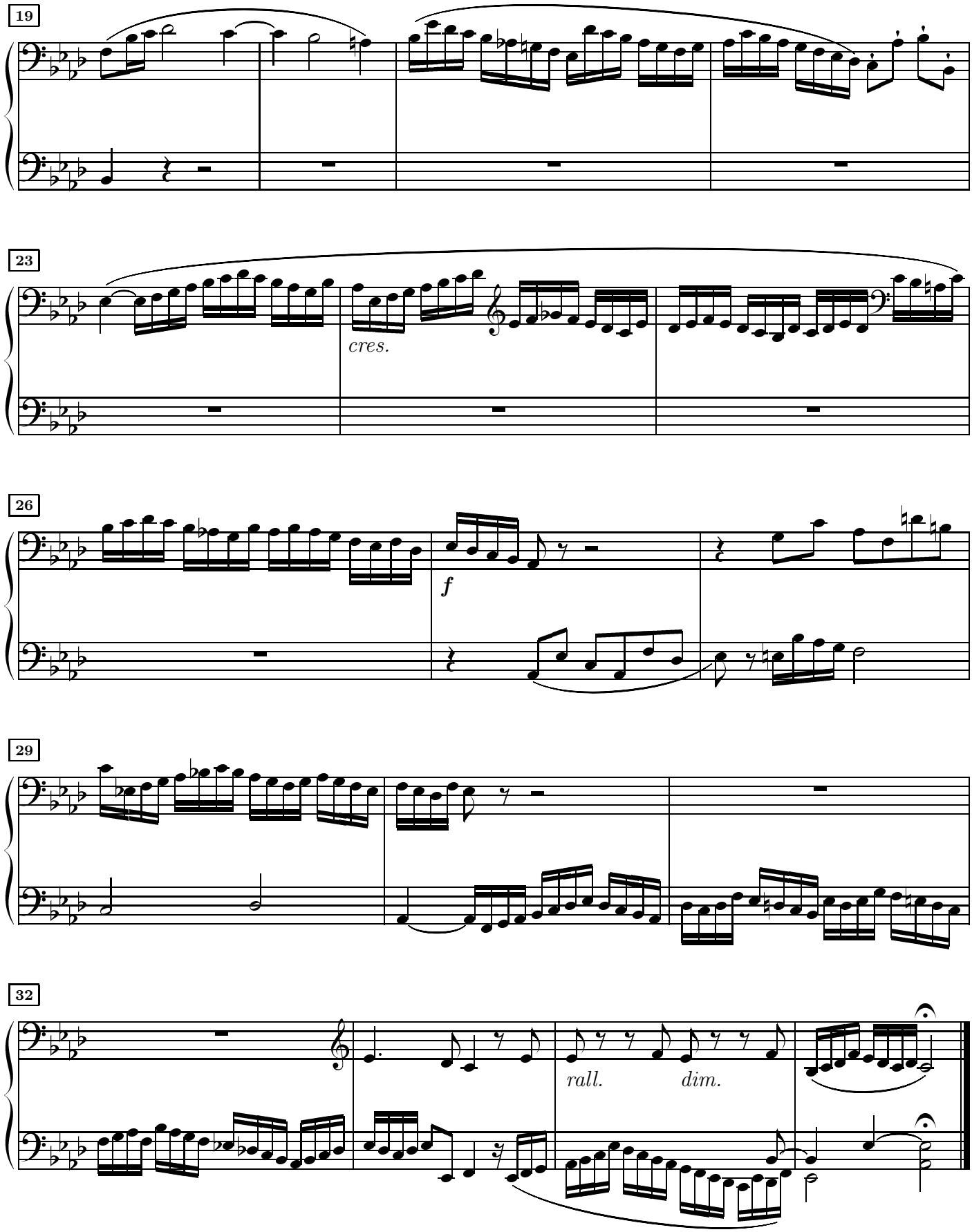
Andante.

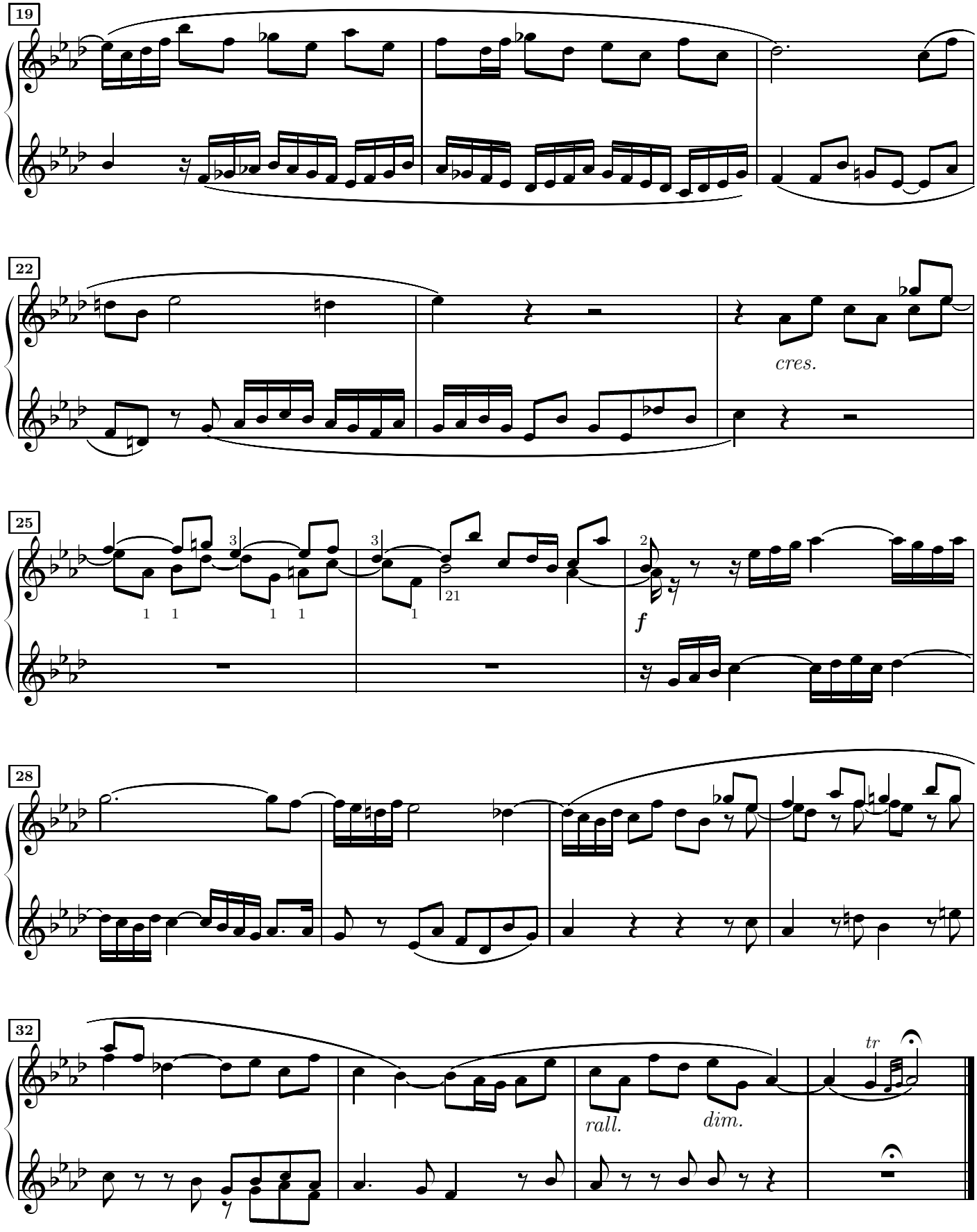


Fugue à 4 voix

Andante.



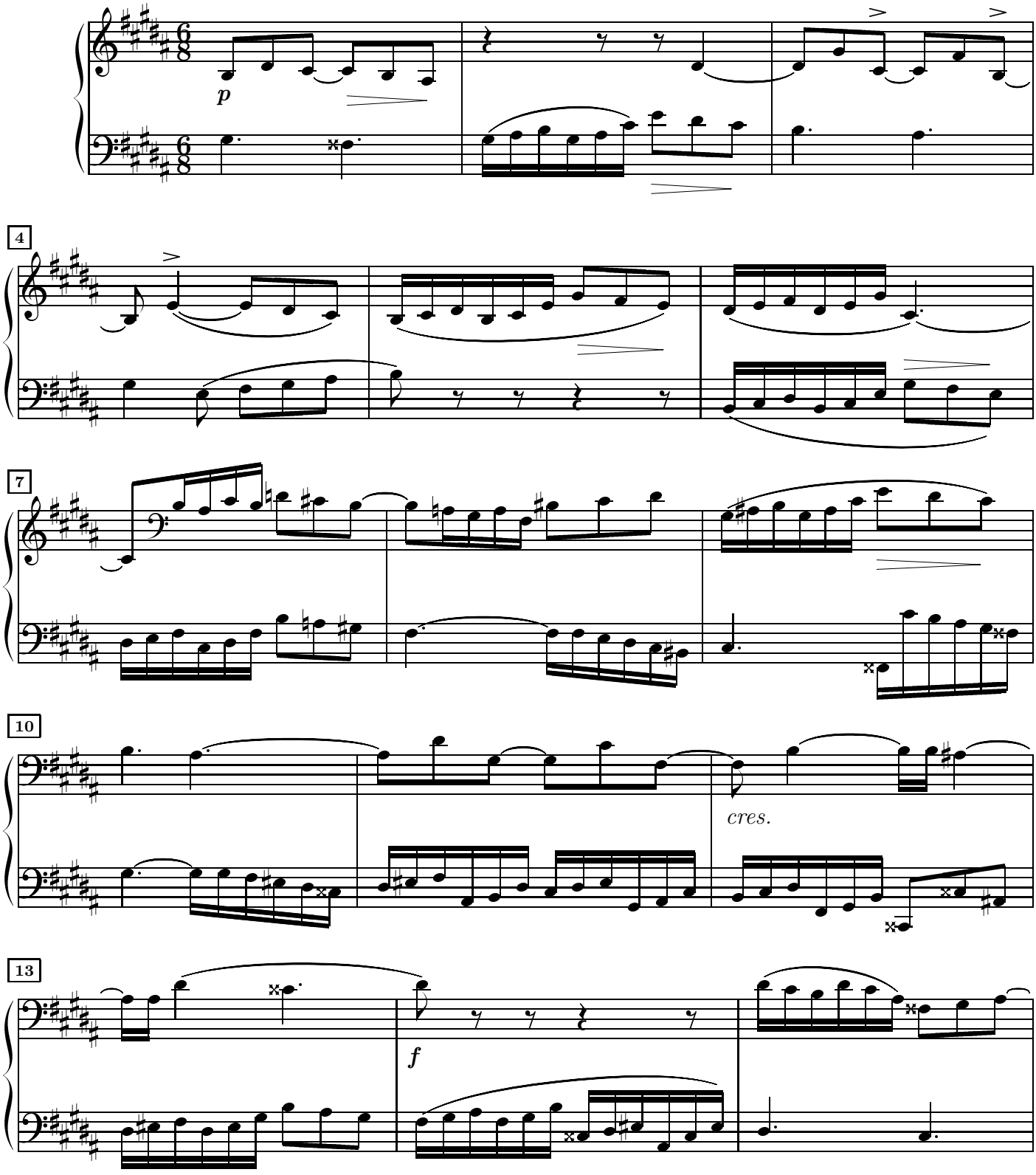

19
23
cres.
26
f
29
32
rall.
dim.


19
22
cres.
25
f
28
32
rall.
dim.
tr

18.e en sol dièse mineur

Prélude
Moderato.

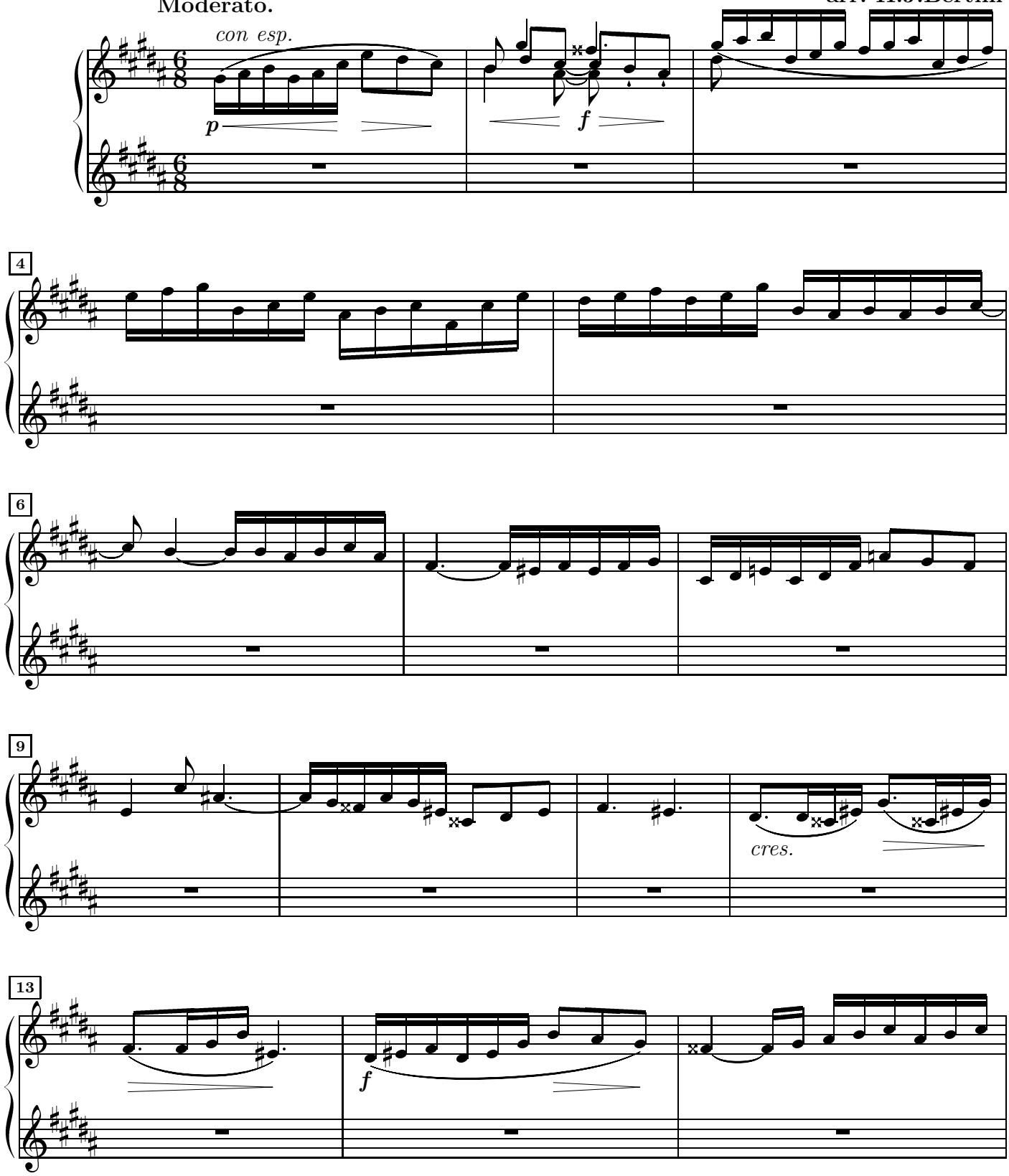
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

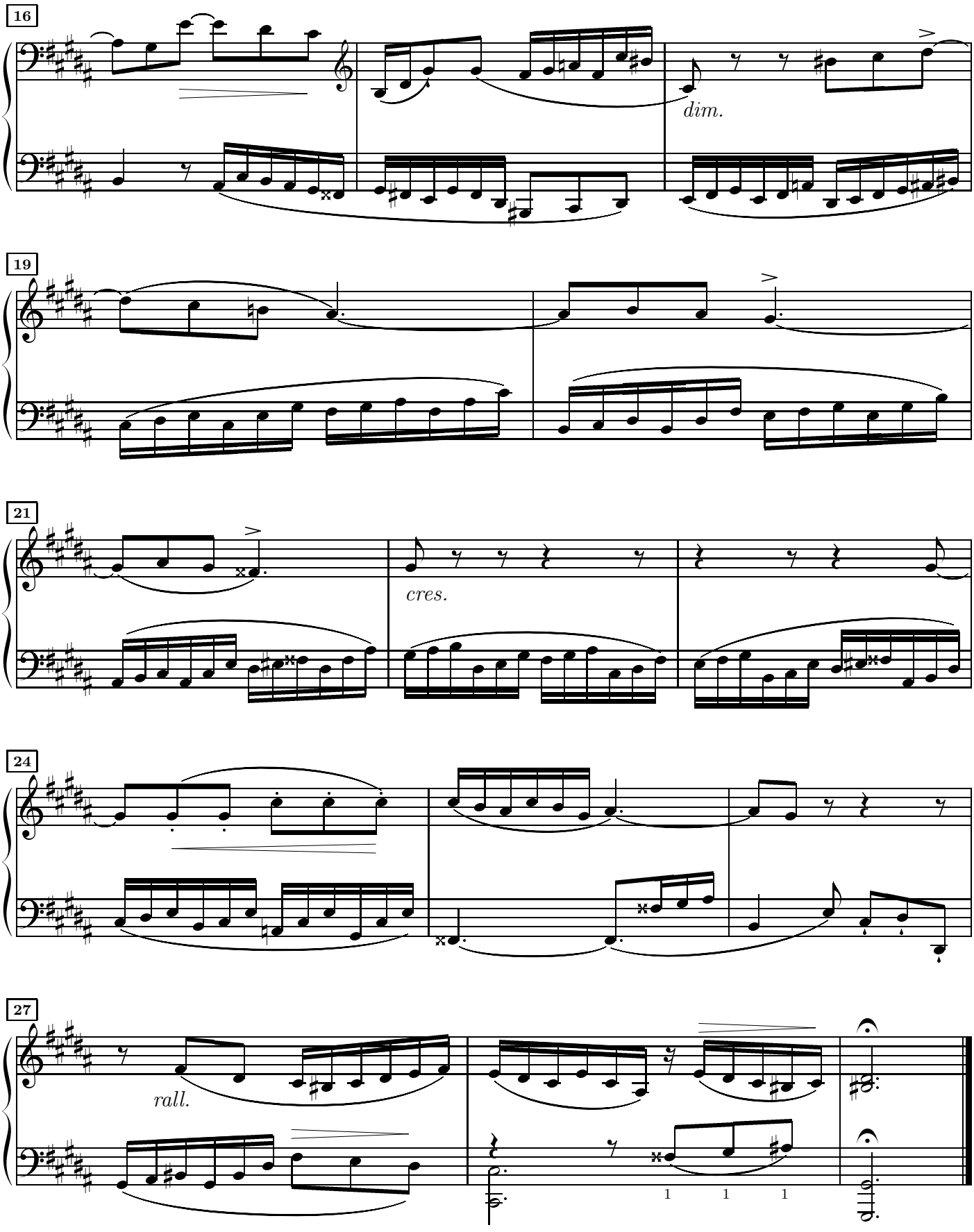


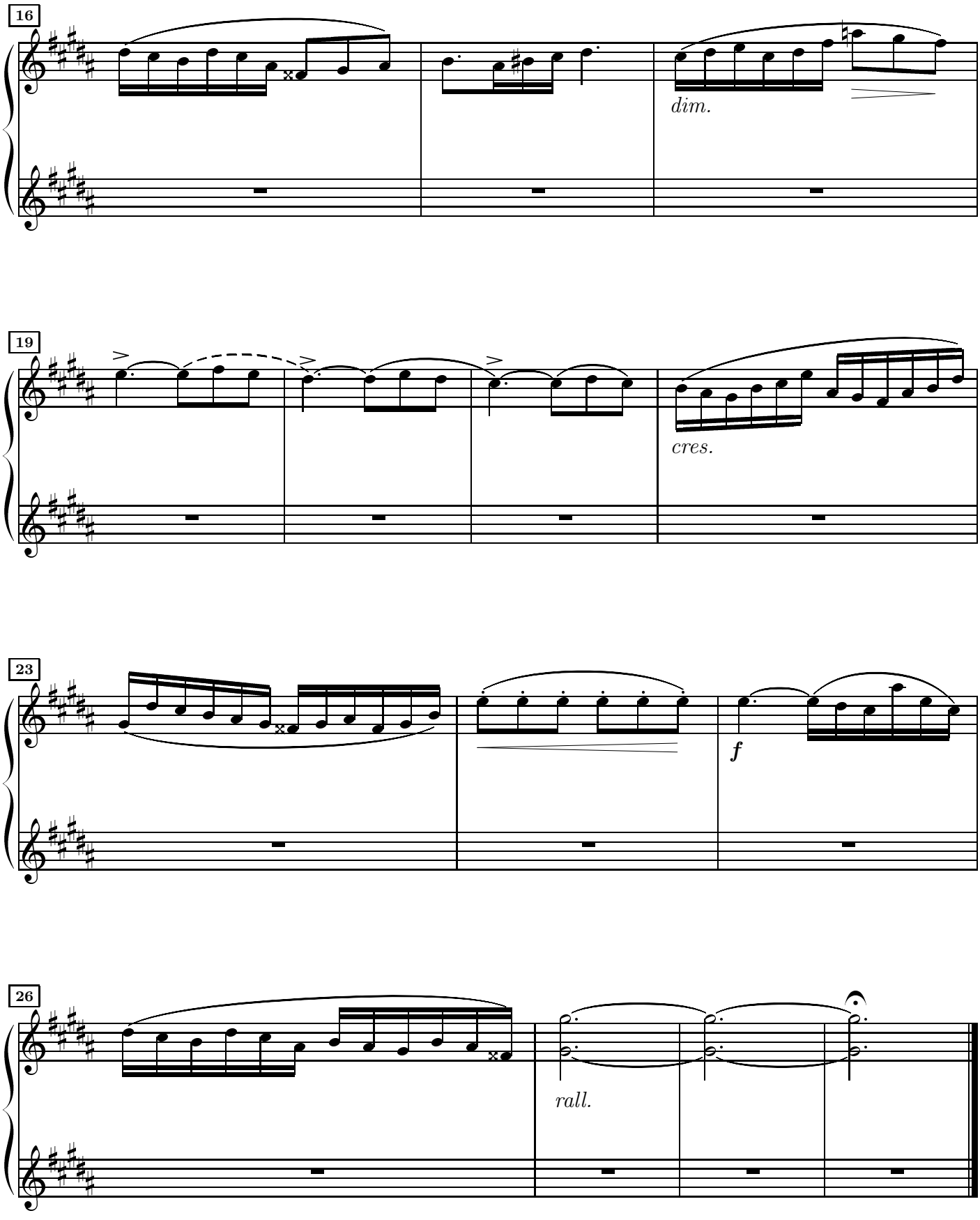
18.e en sol dièse mineur

Prélude
Moderato.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

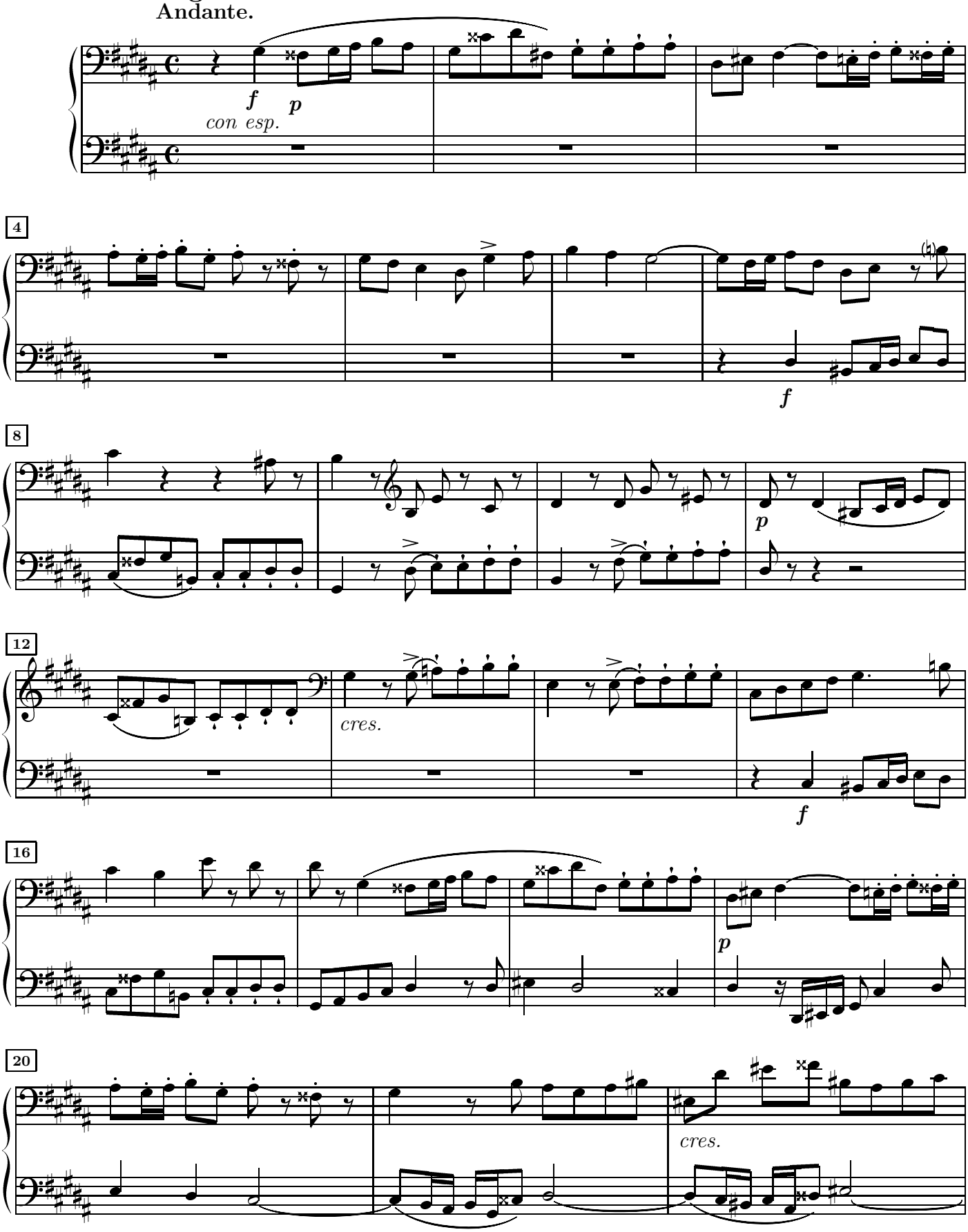



16
dim.
19
21
cres.
24
27
rall.


16
dim.
19
cres.
23
f
26
rall.

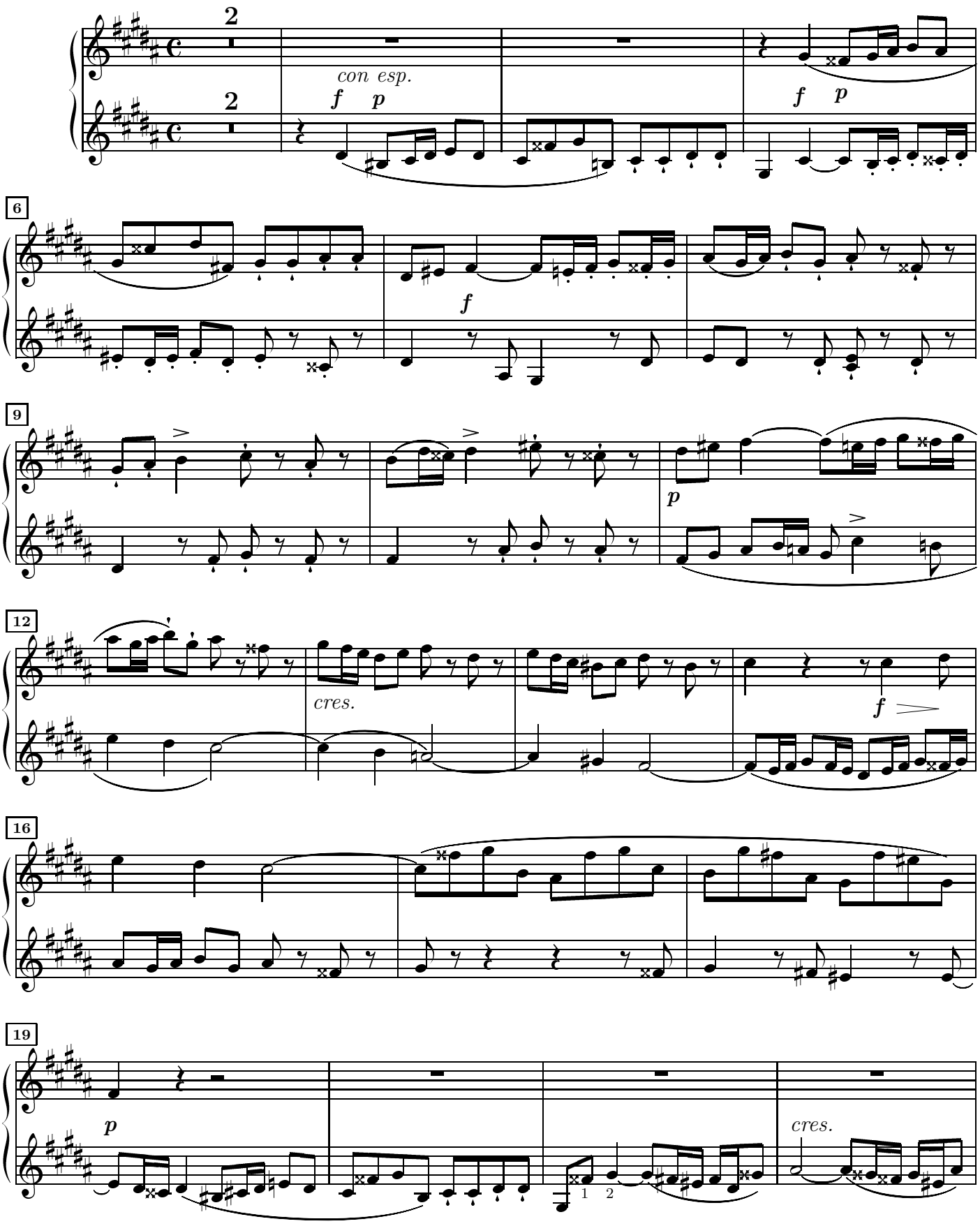
Fugue à 4 voix

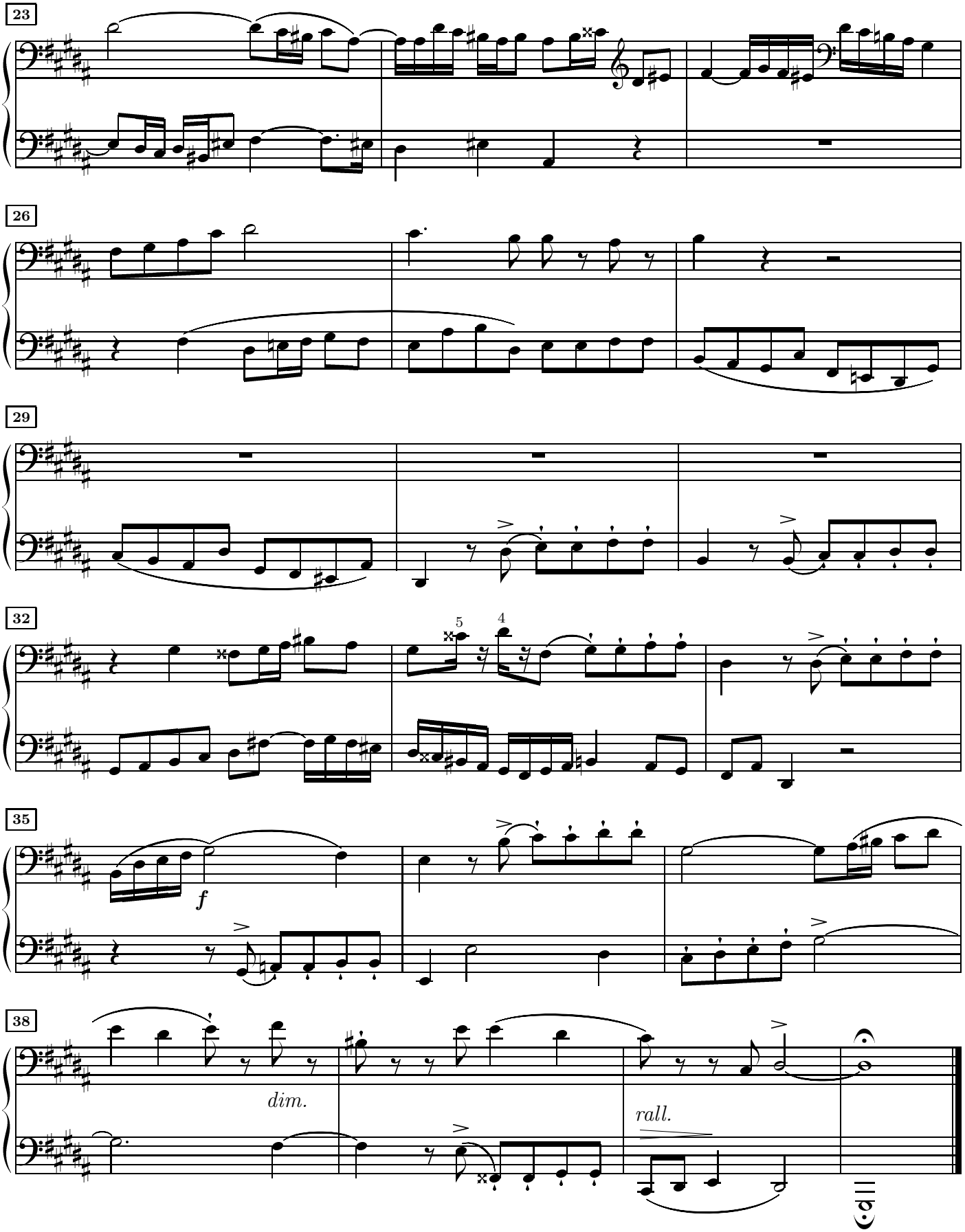
Andante.

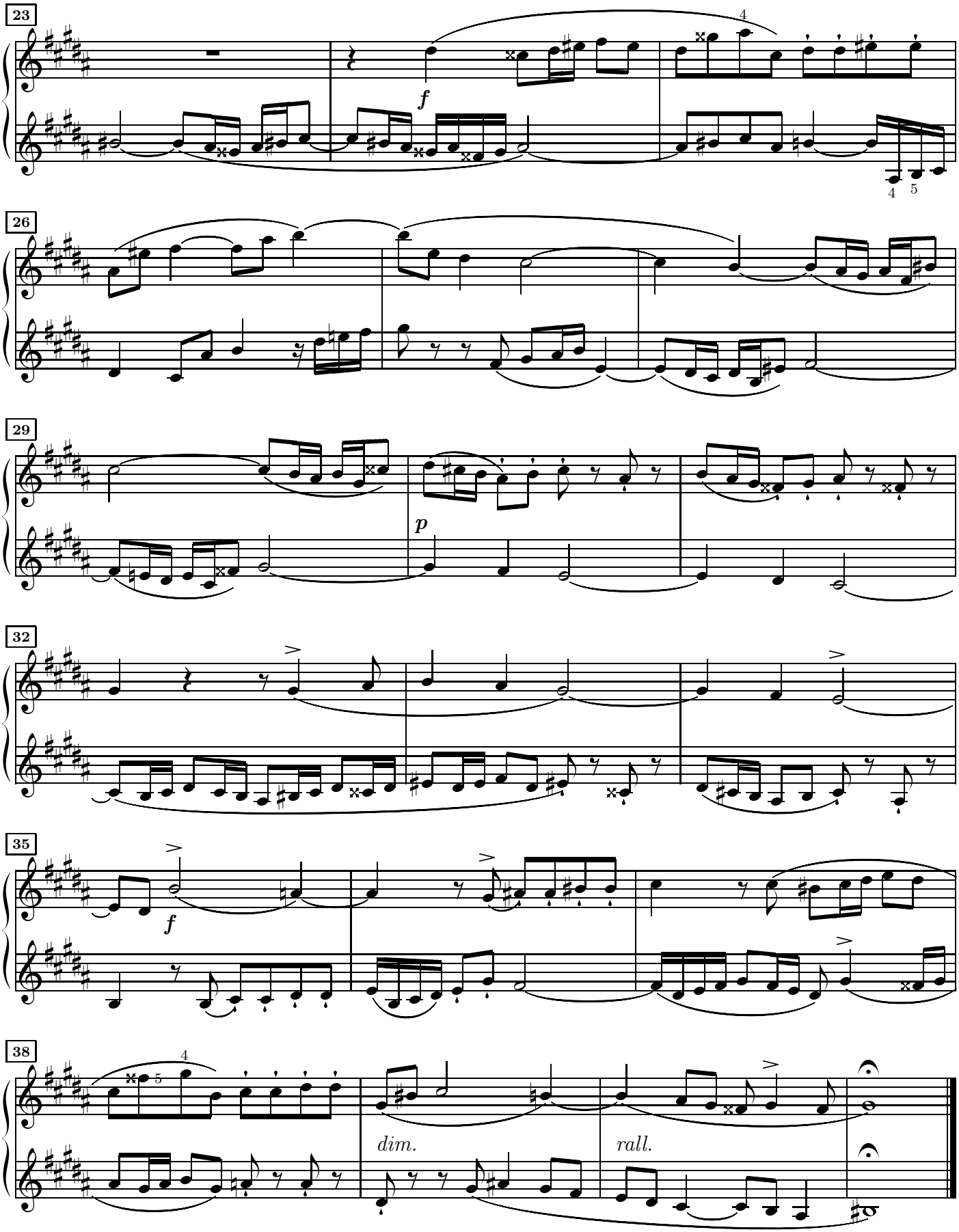


Fugue à 4 voix

Andante.



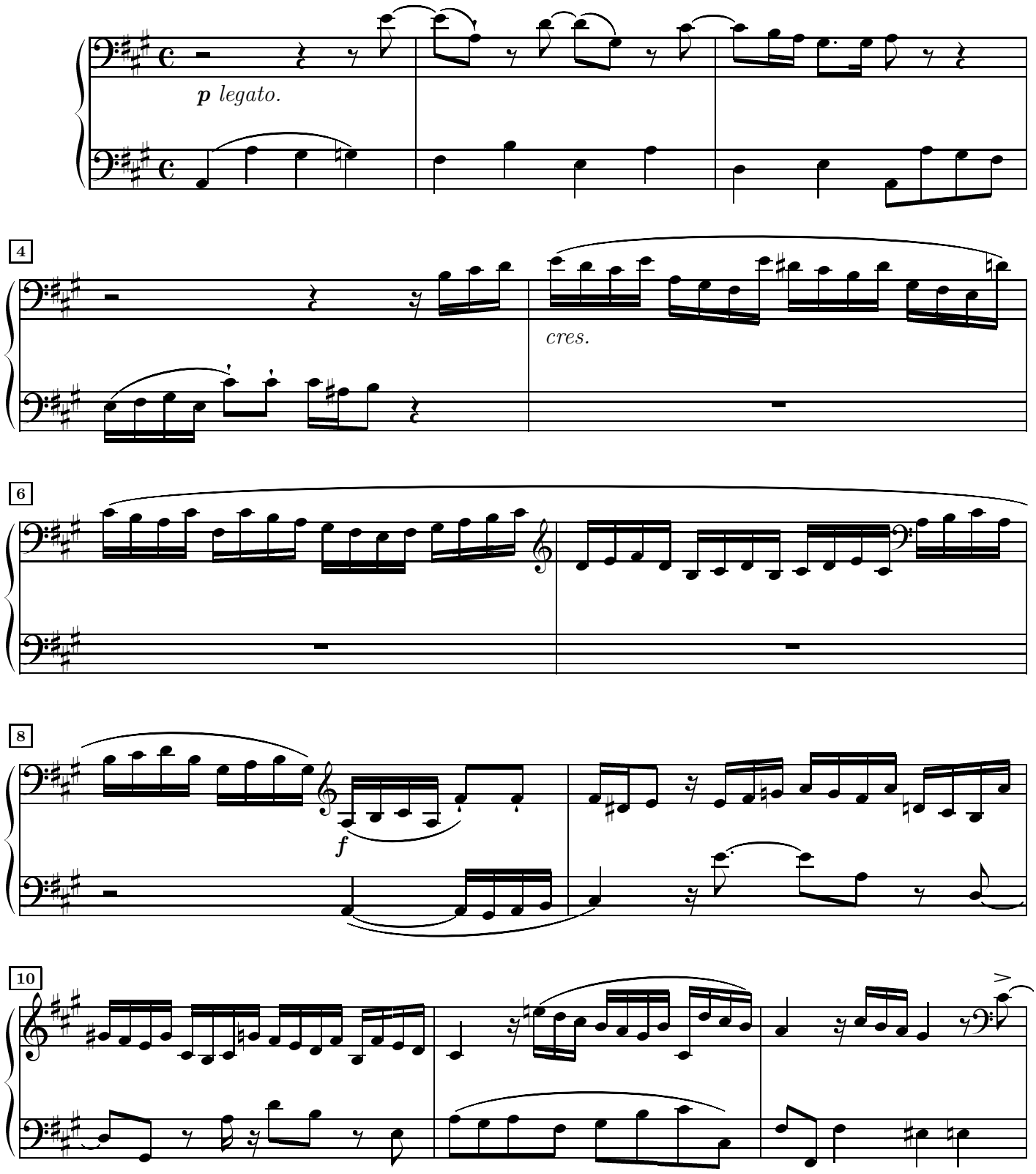

23
26
29
32
35
38
f
dim.
rall.


23
f
26
29
p
32
35
f
38
dim.
rall.

19.e en la majeur

Prélude
Moderato.

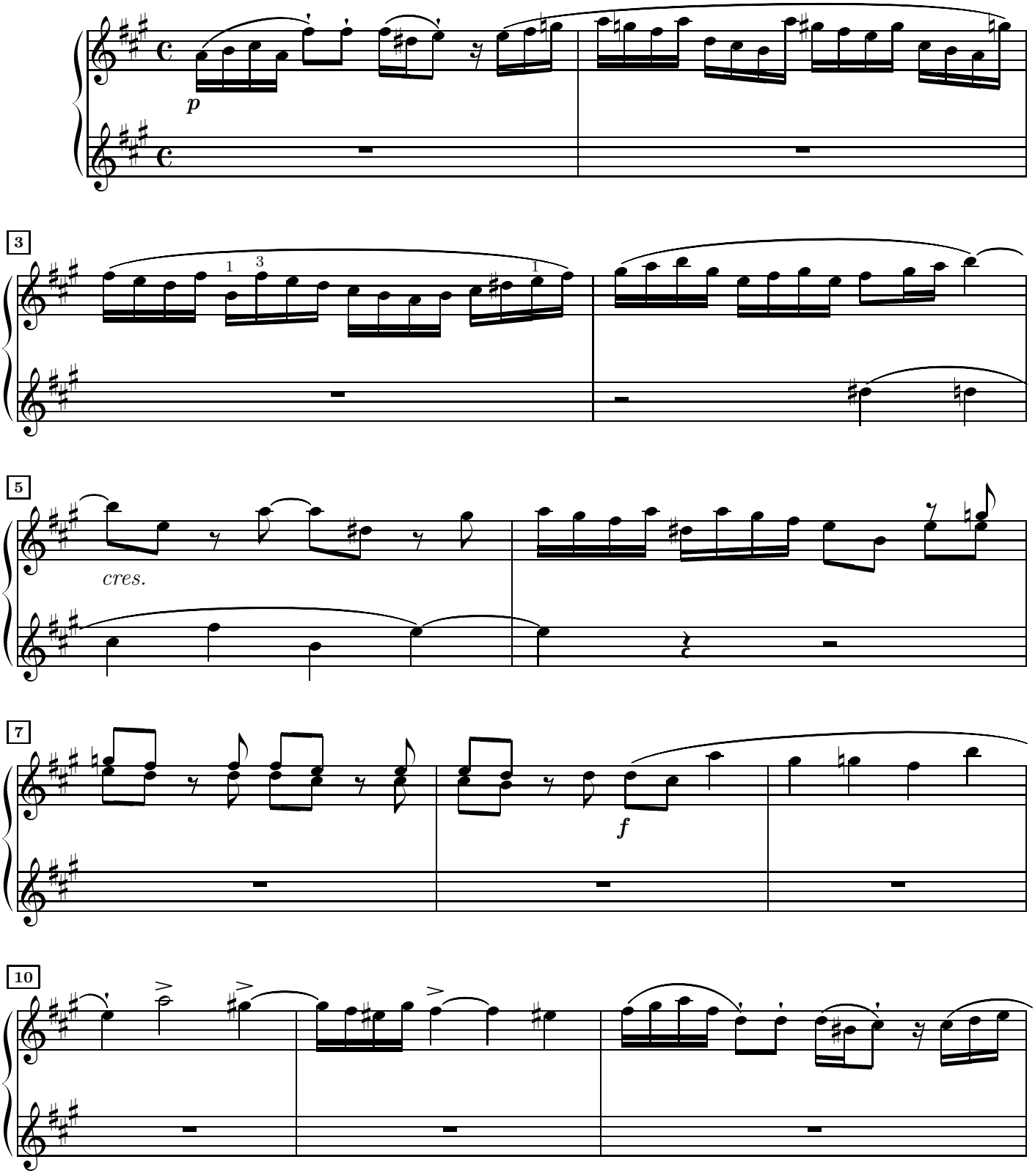
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

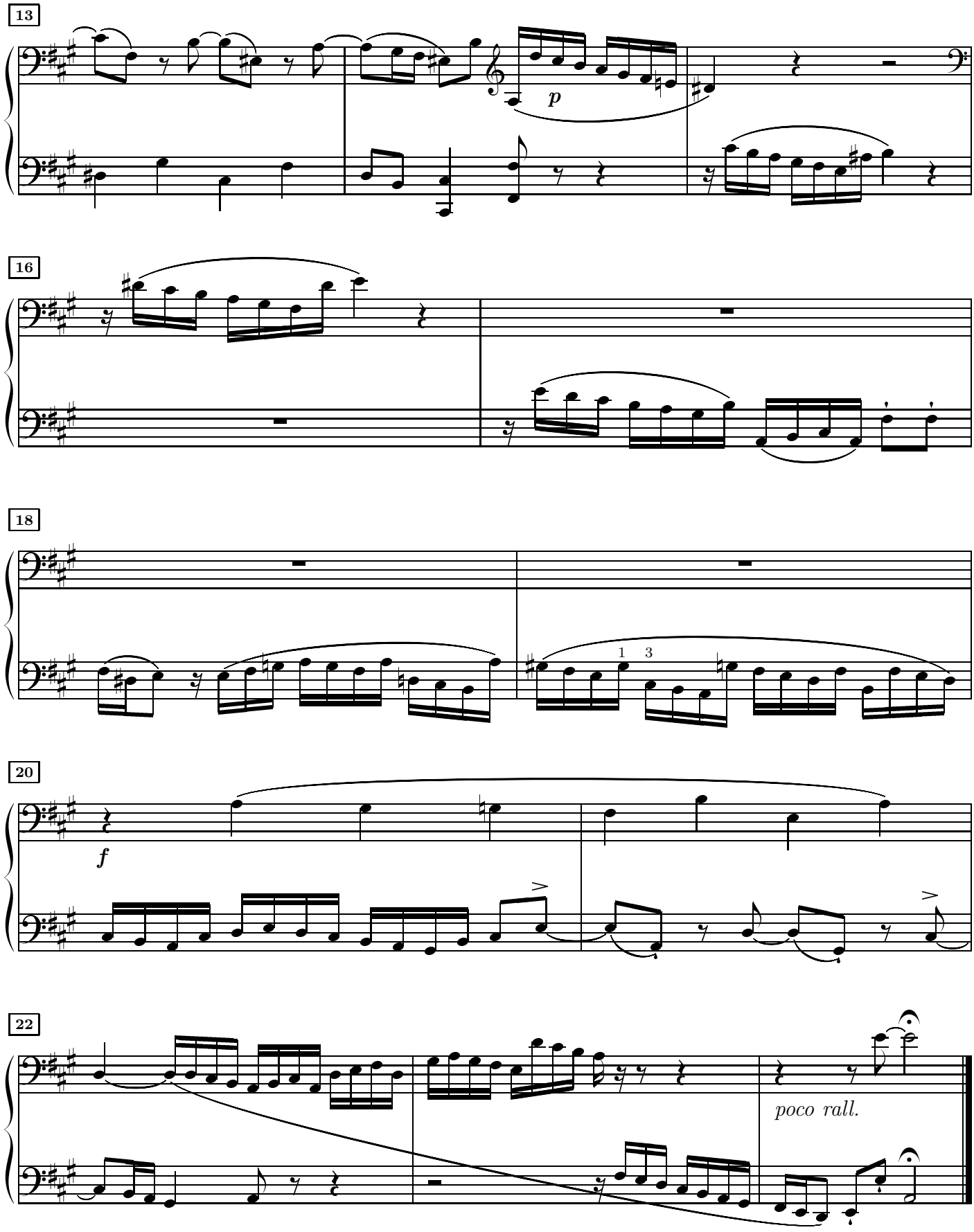


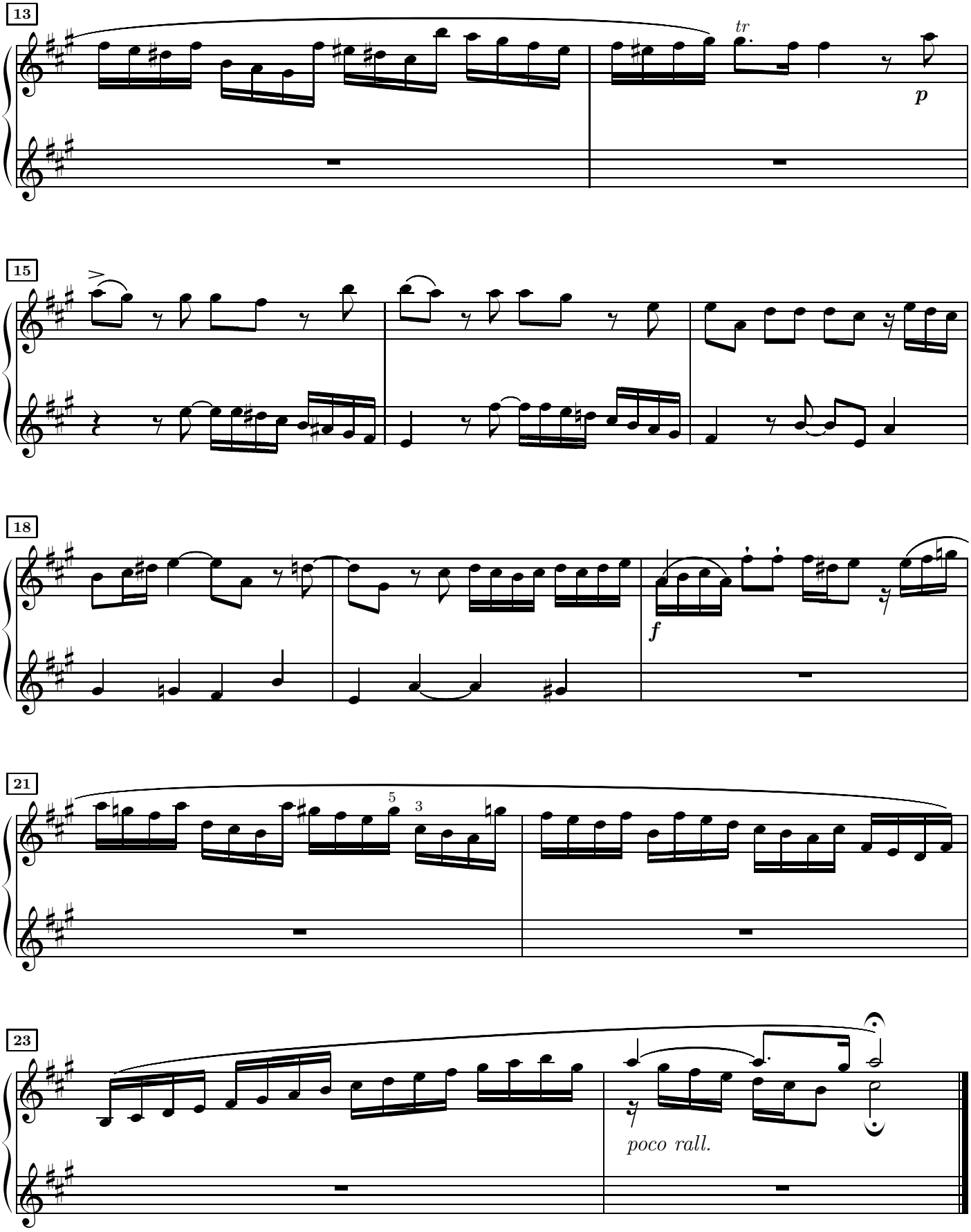
19.e en la majeur

Prélude
Moderato.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

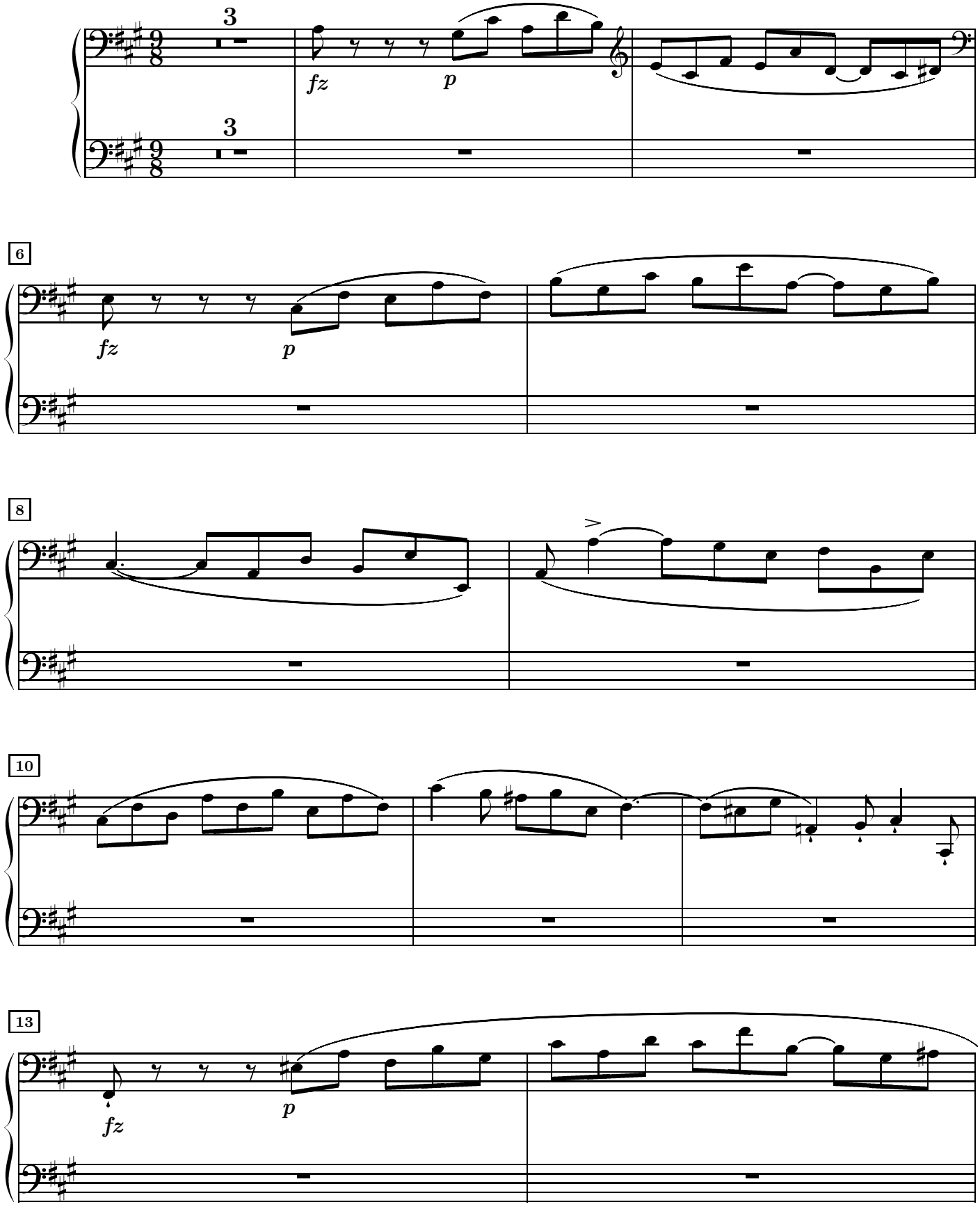



13
p
16
18
1 3
20
f
22
poco rall.


13
tr
p
15
18
f
21
5
3
23
poco rall.

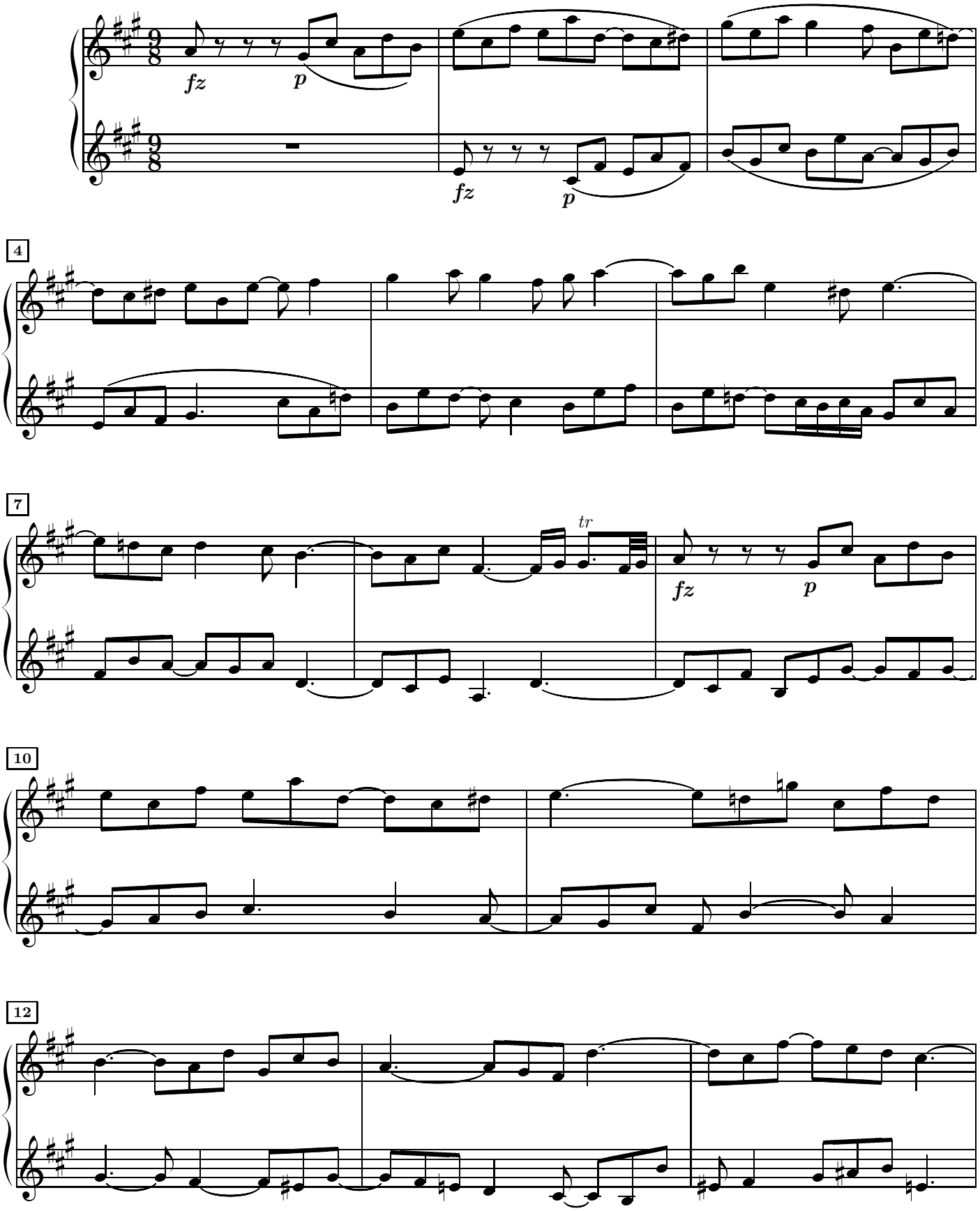
Fugue à 3 voix

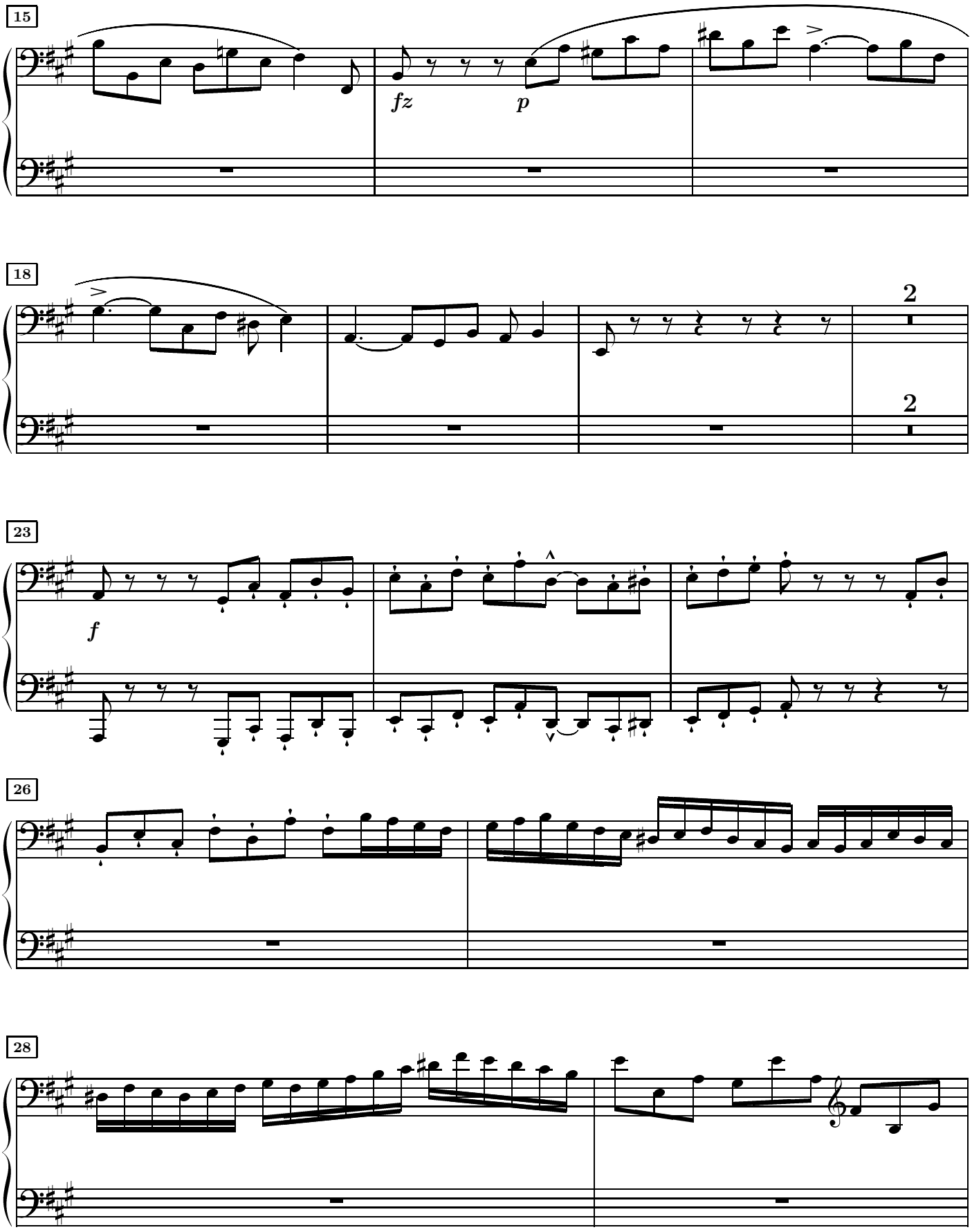
Allegretto.

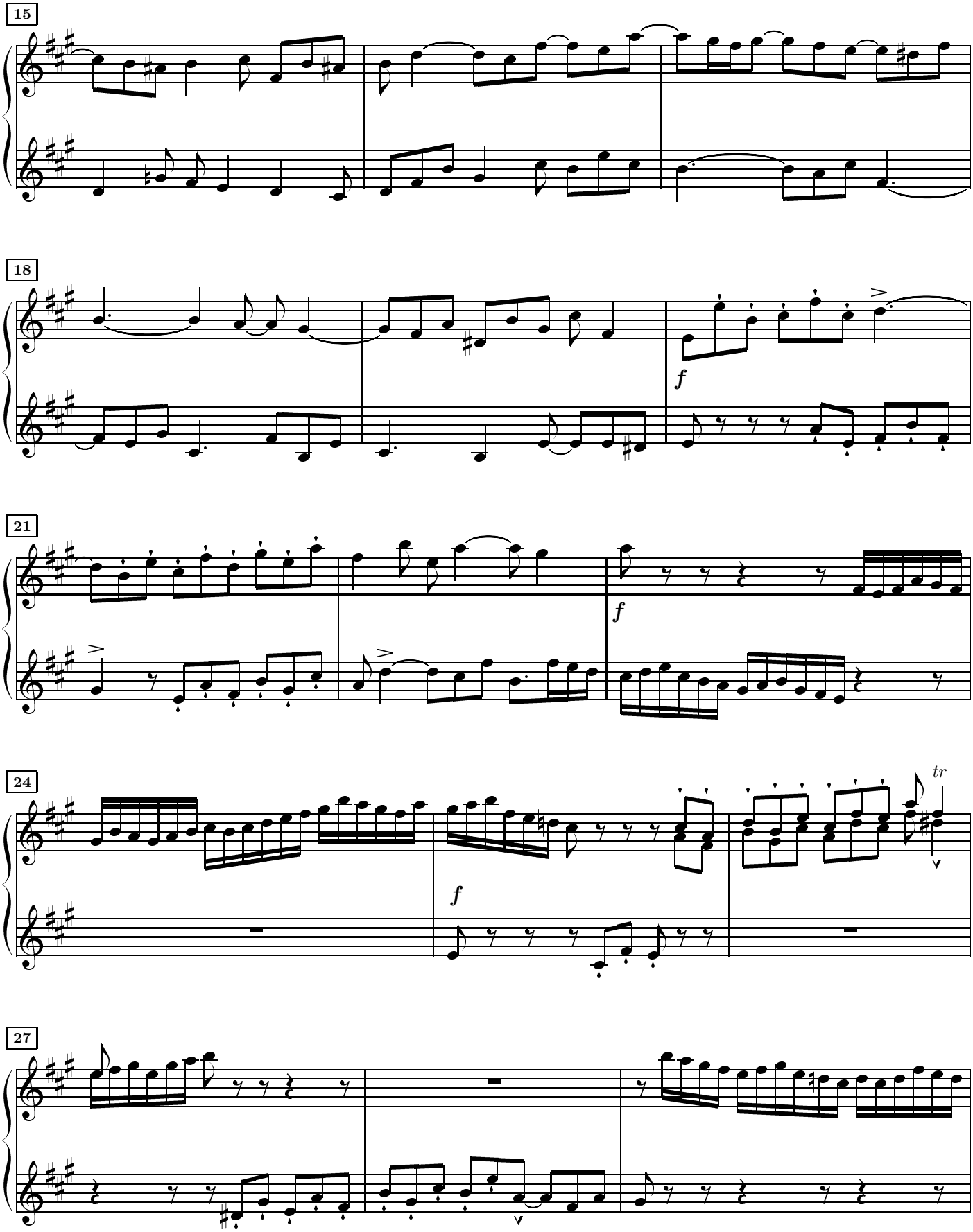


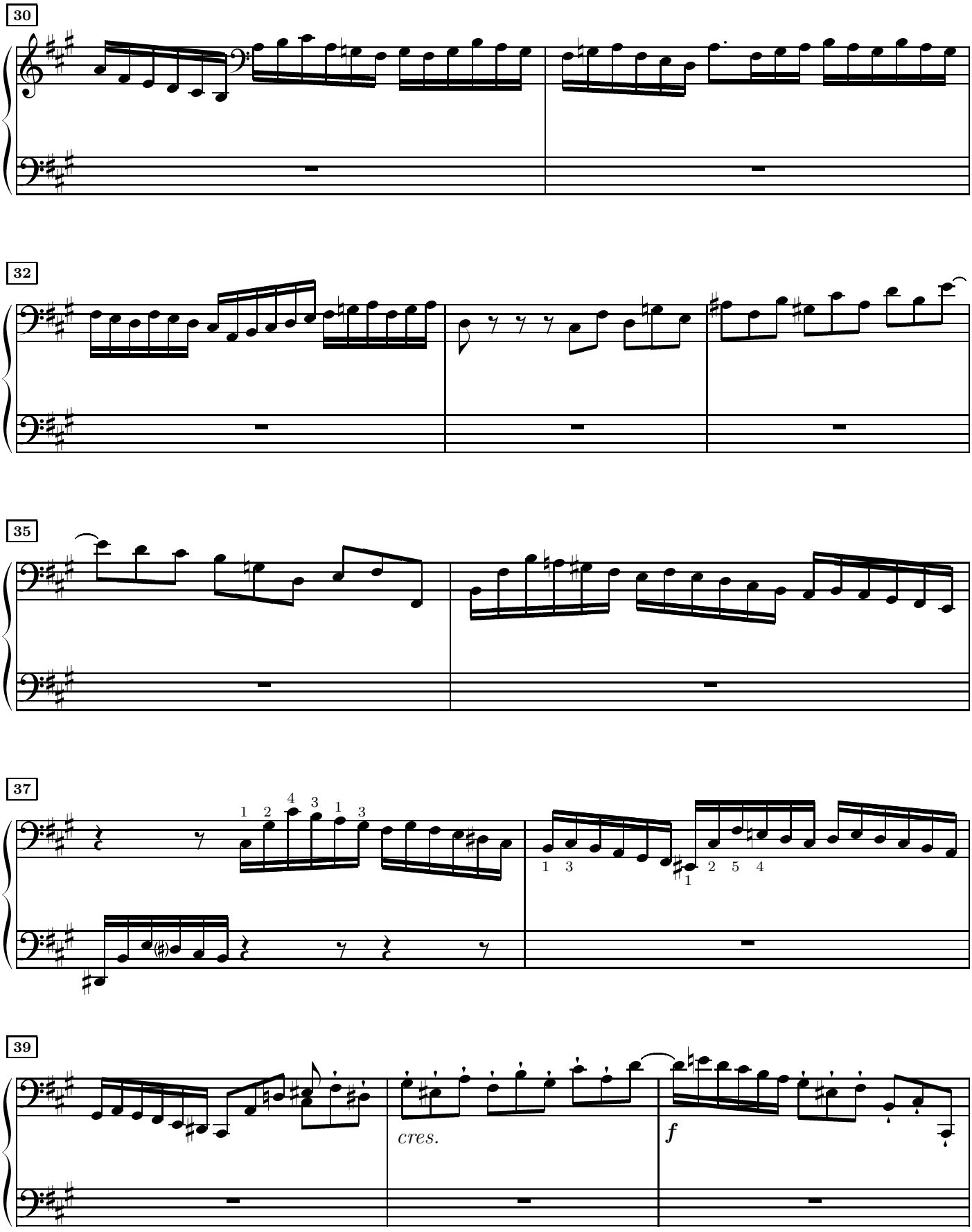
Fugue à 3 voix

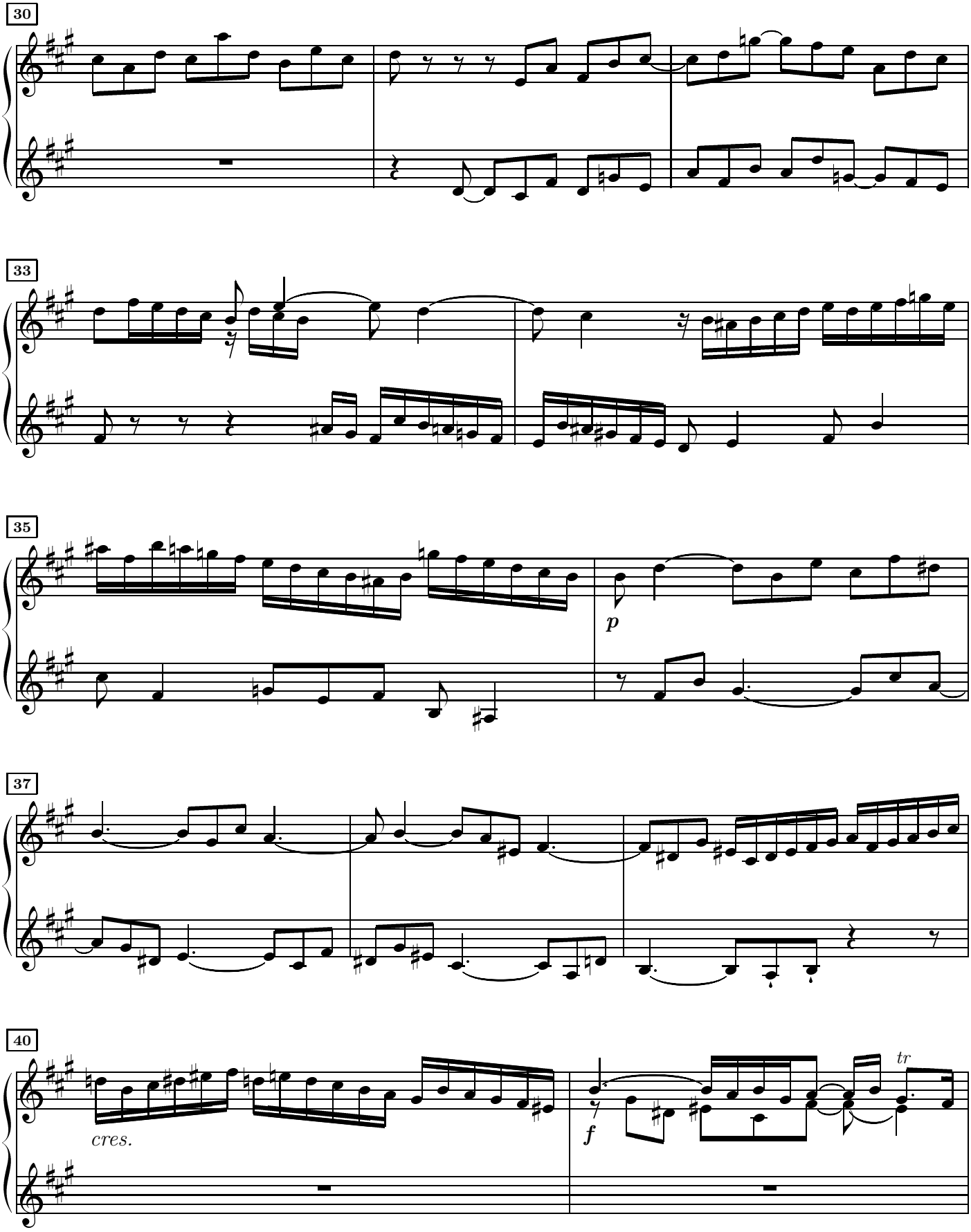
Allegretto.

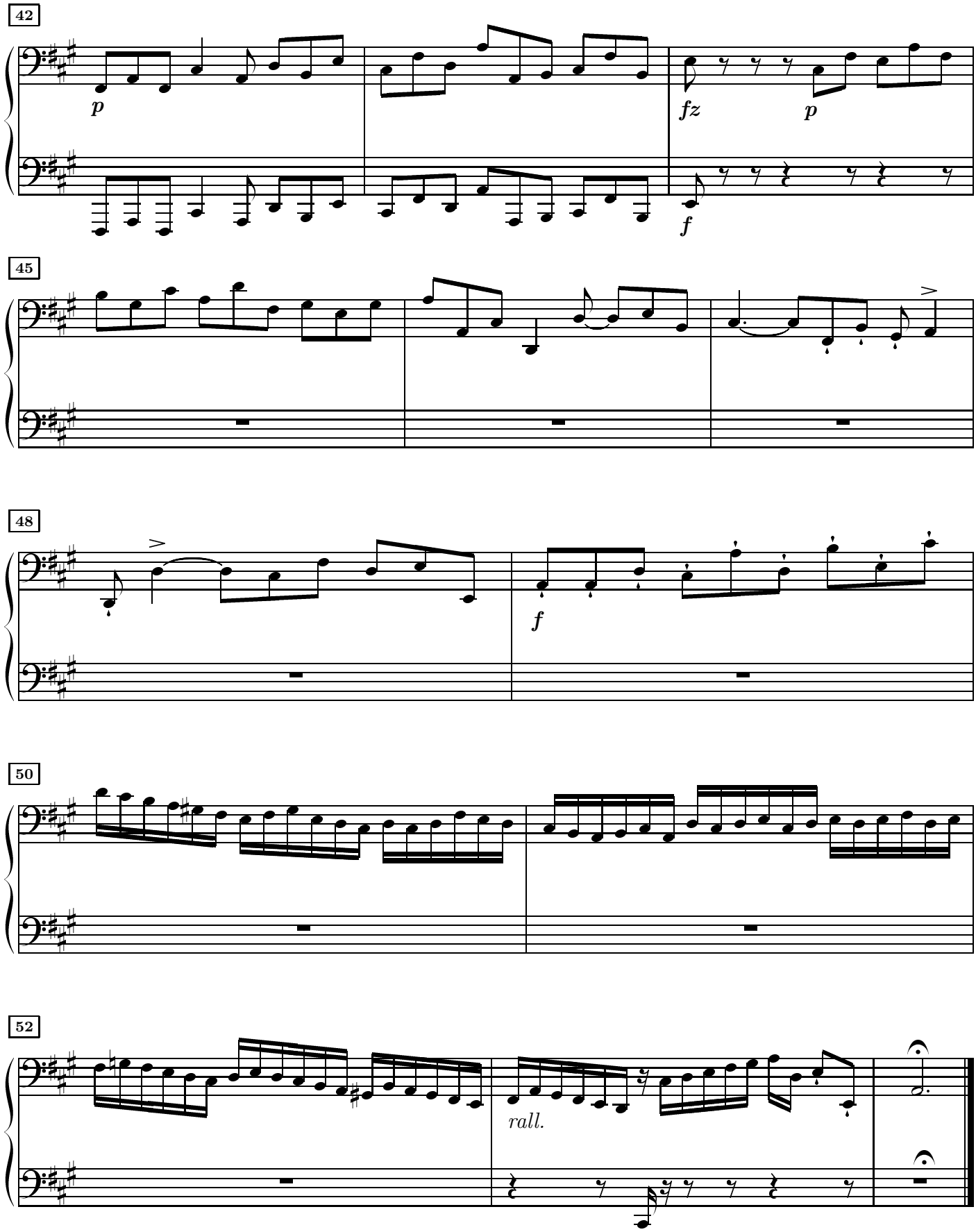


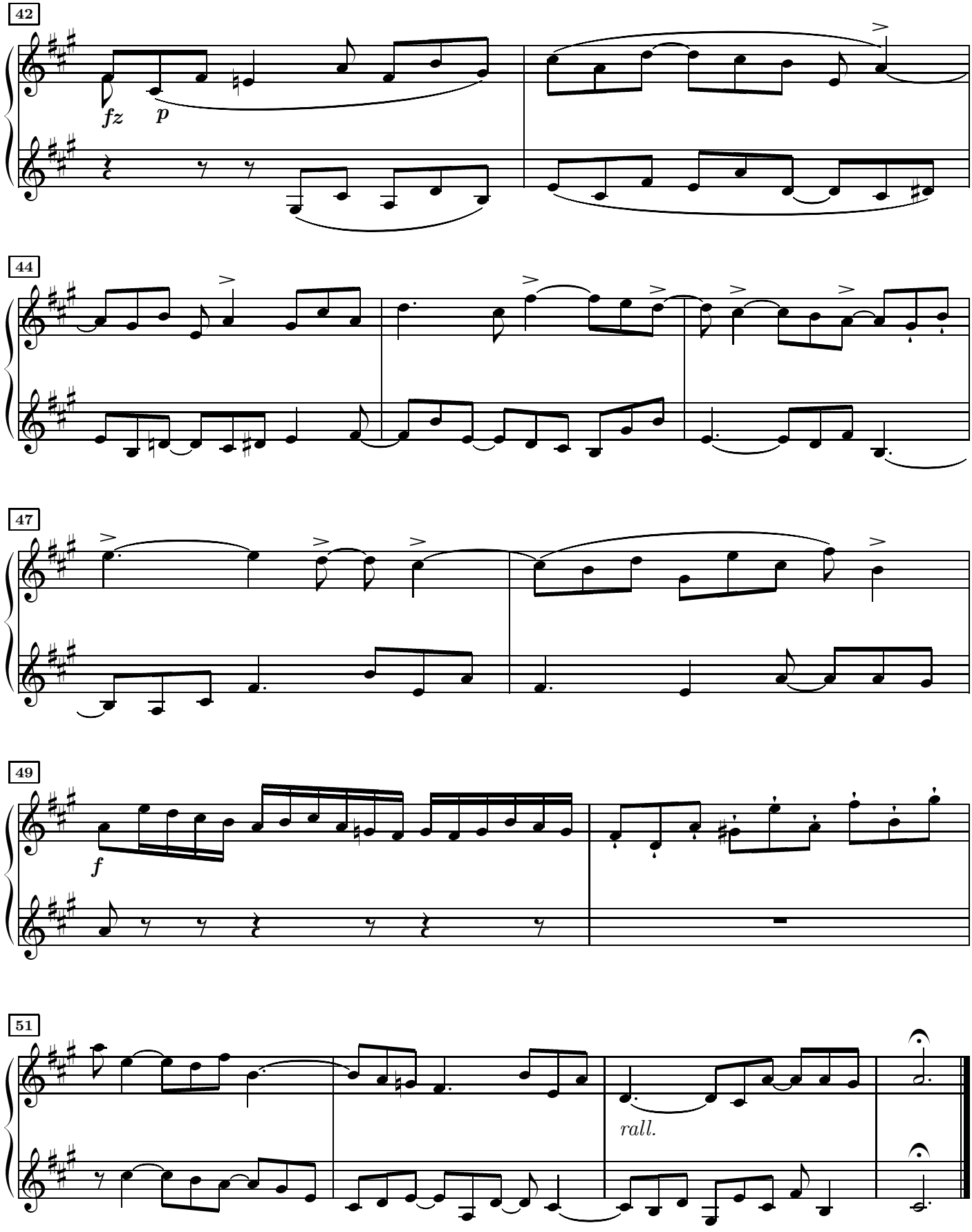

15
fz
p
18
2
2
23
f
26
28


15
18
f
21
f
24
tr
f
27


30
32
35
37
39
cres.
f


30
33
35
p
37
40
cres.
f
tr

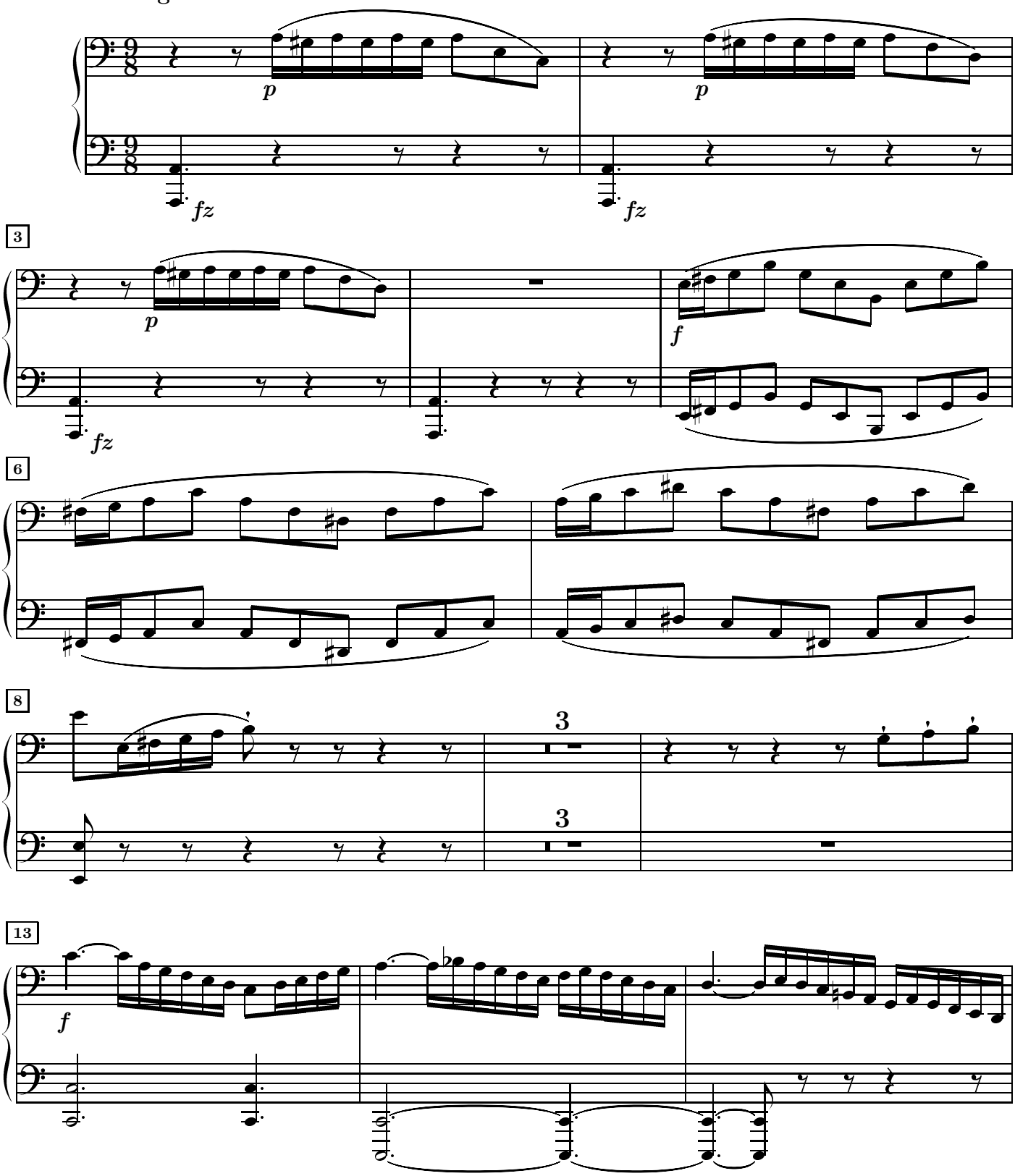

42
p
fz
p
f
45
48
f
50
52
rall.


42
fz
p
44
47
49
f
51
rall.

20.e en la mineur

Prélude
Allegro.

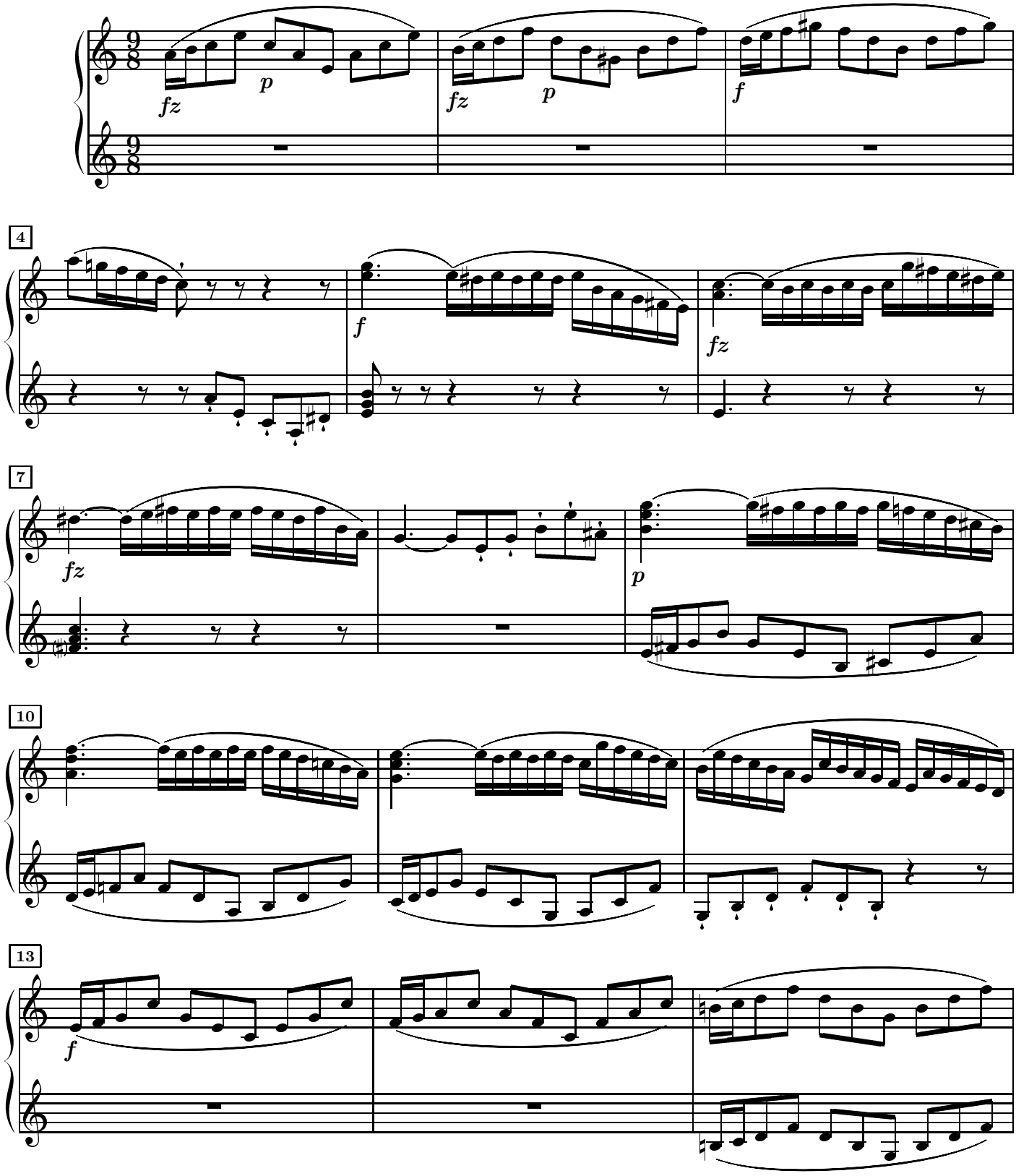
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

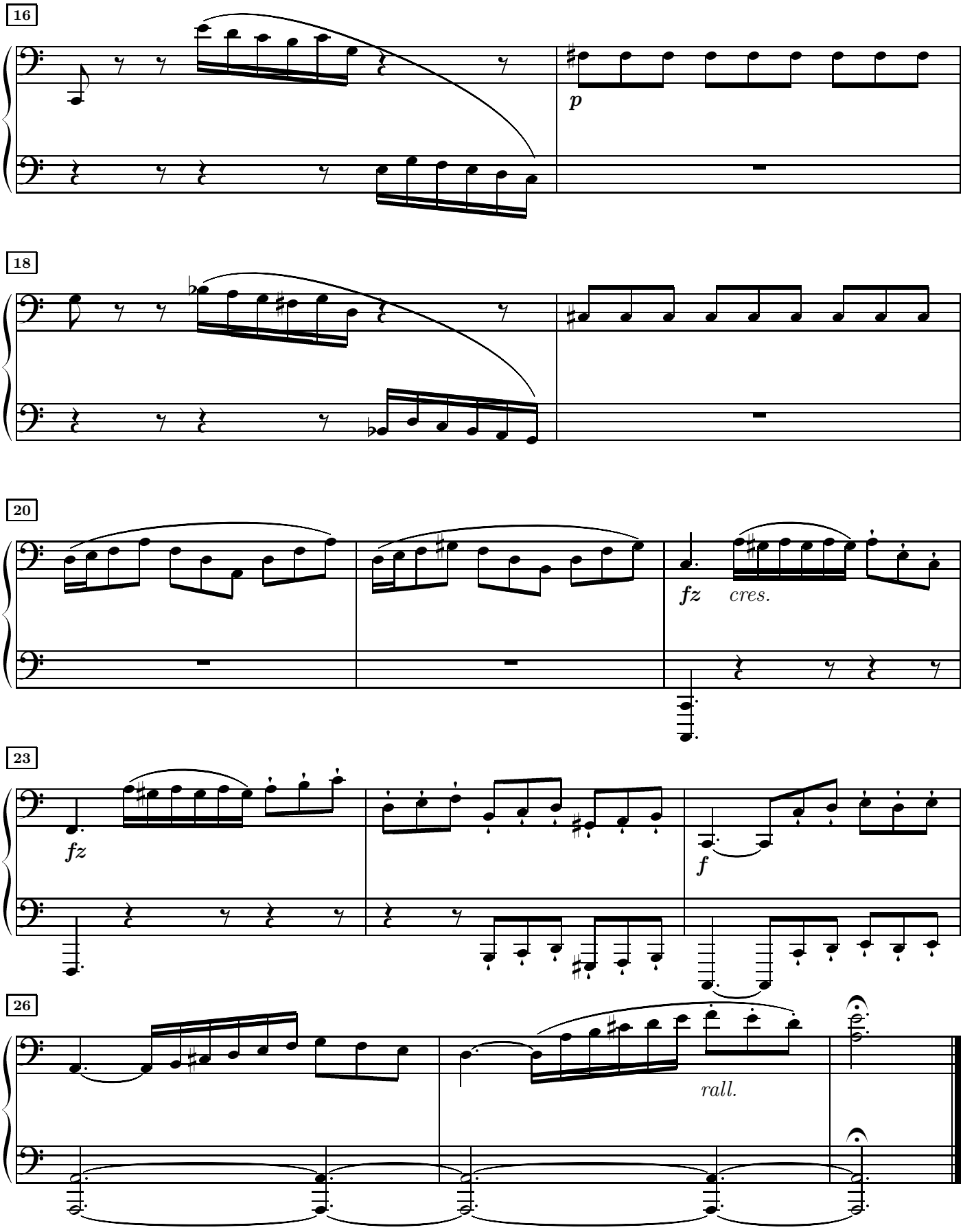


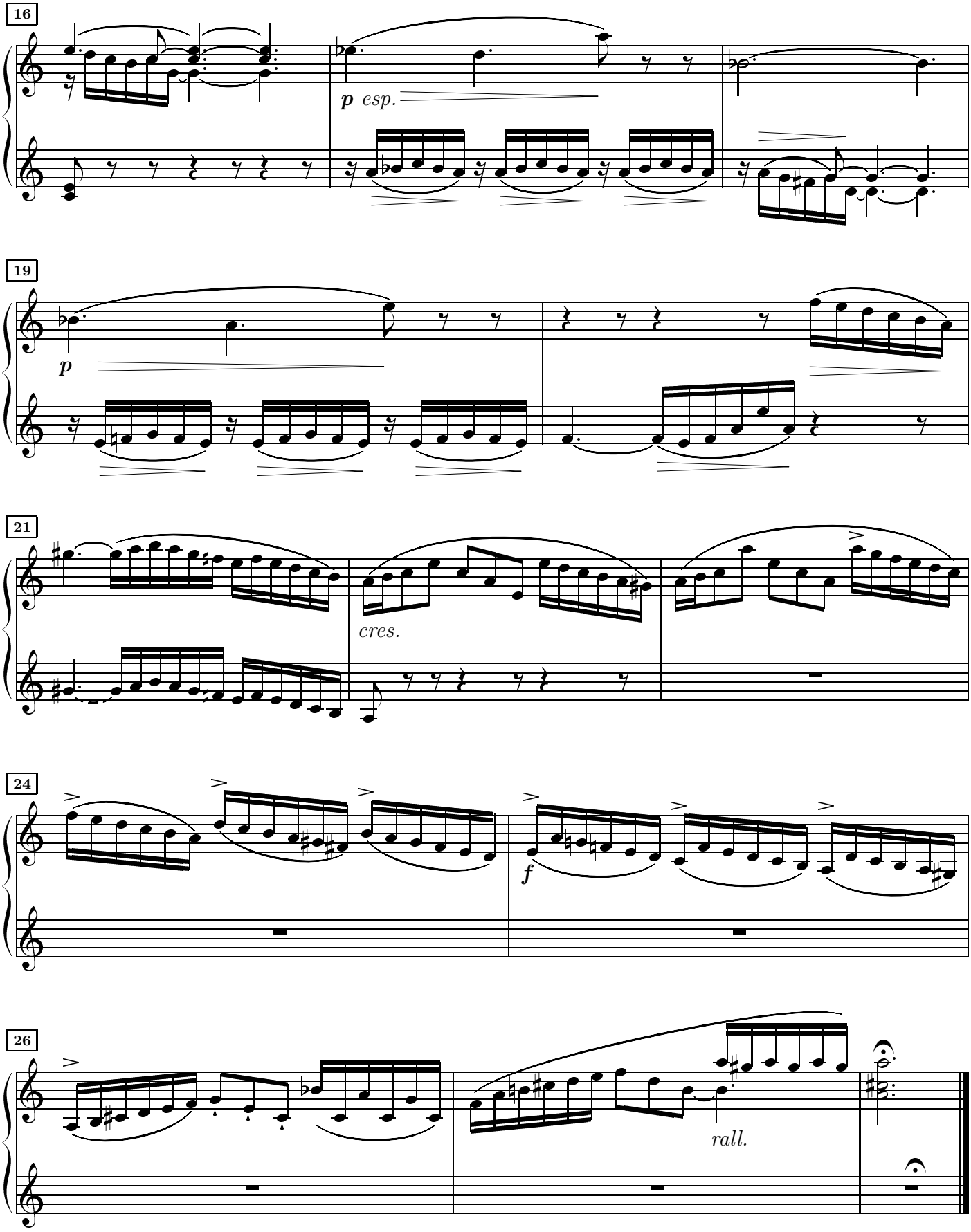
20.e en la mineur

Prélude
Allegro.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

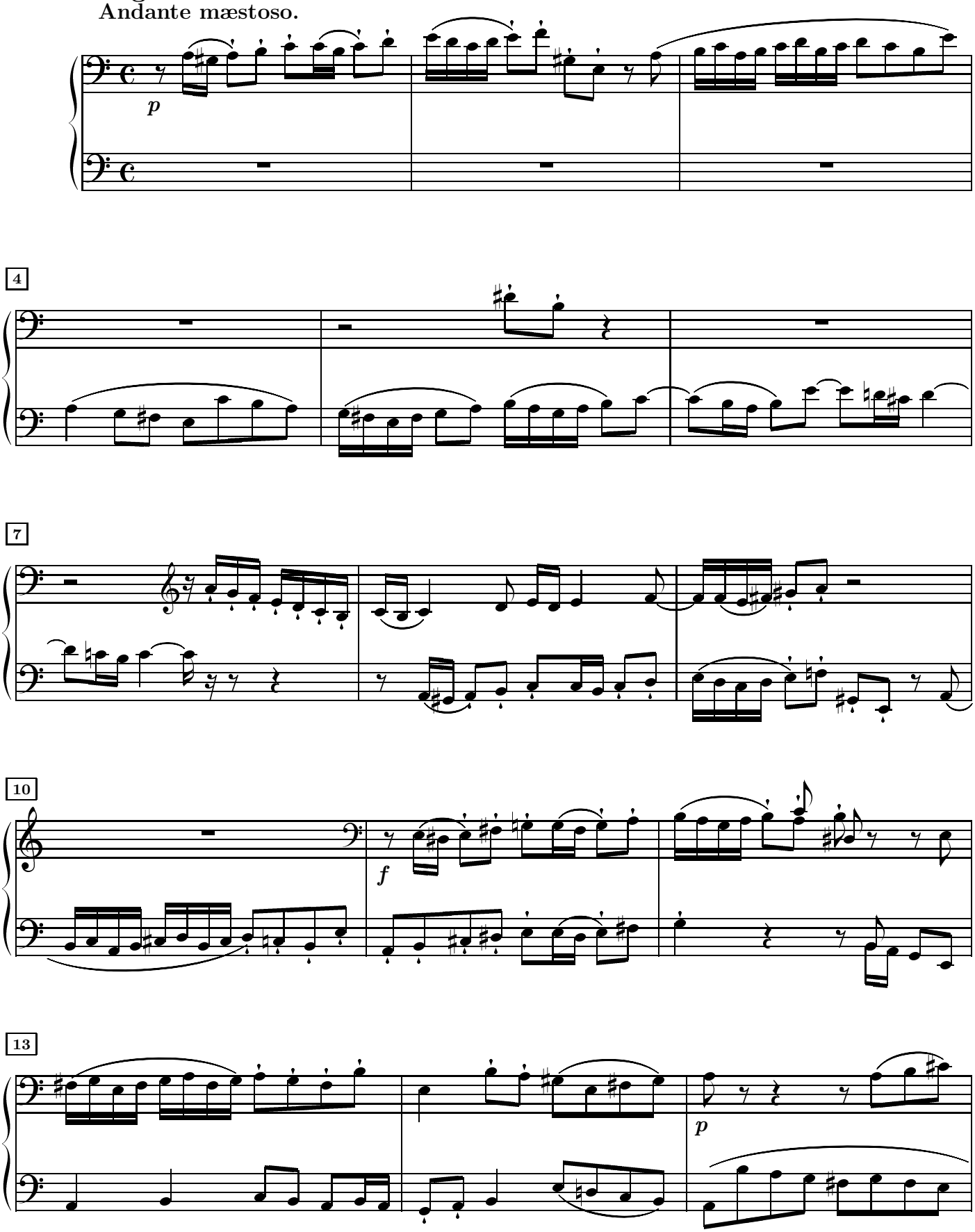



16
p
18
20
fz
cres.
23
fz
f
26
rall.


16
p esp.
19
p
21
cres.
24
f
26
rall.

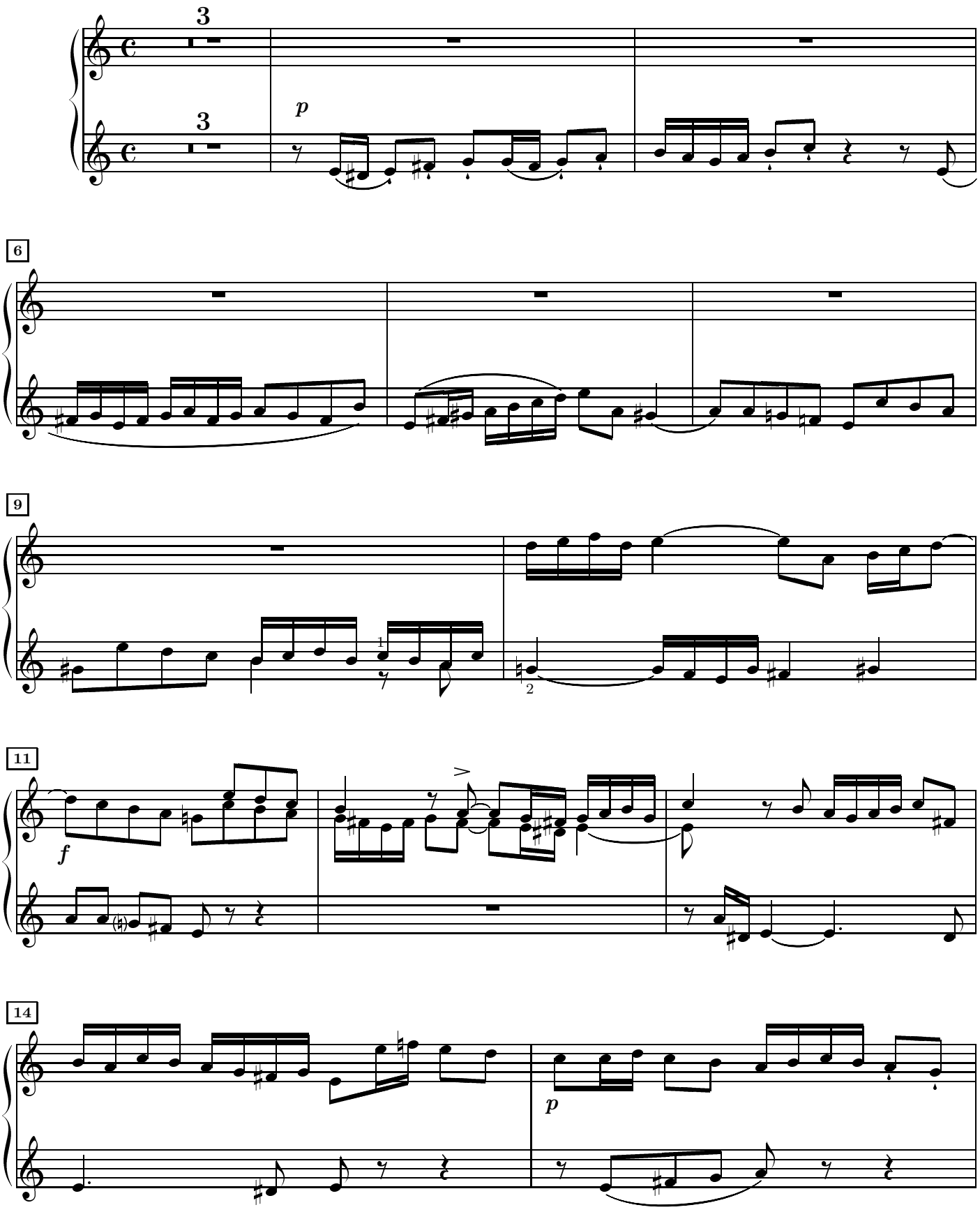
Fugue à 4 voix

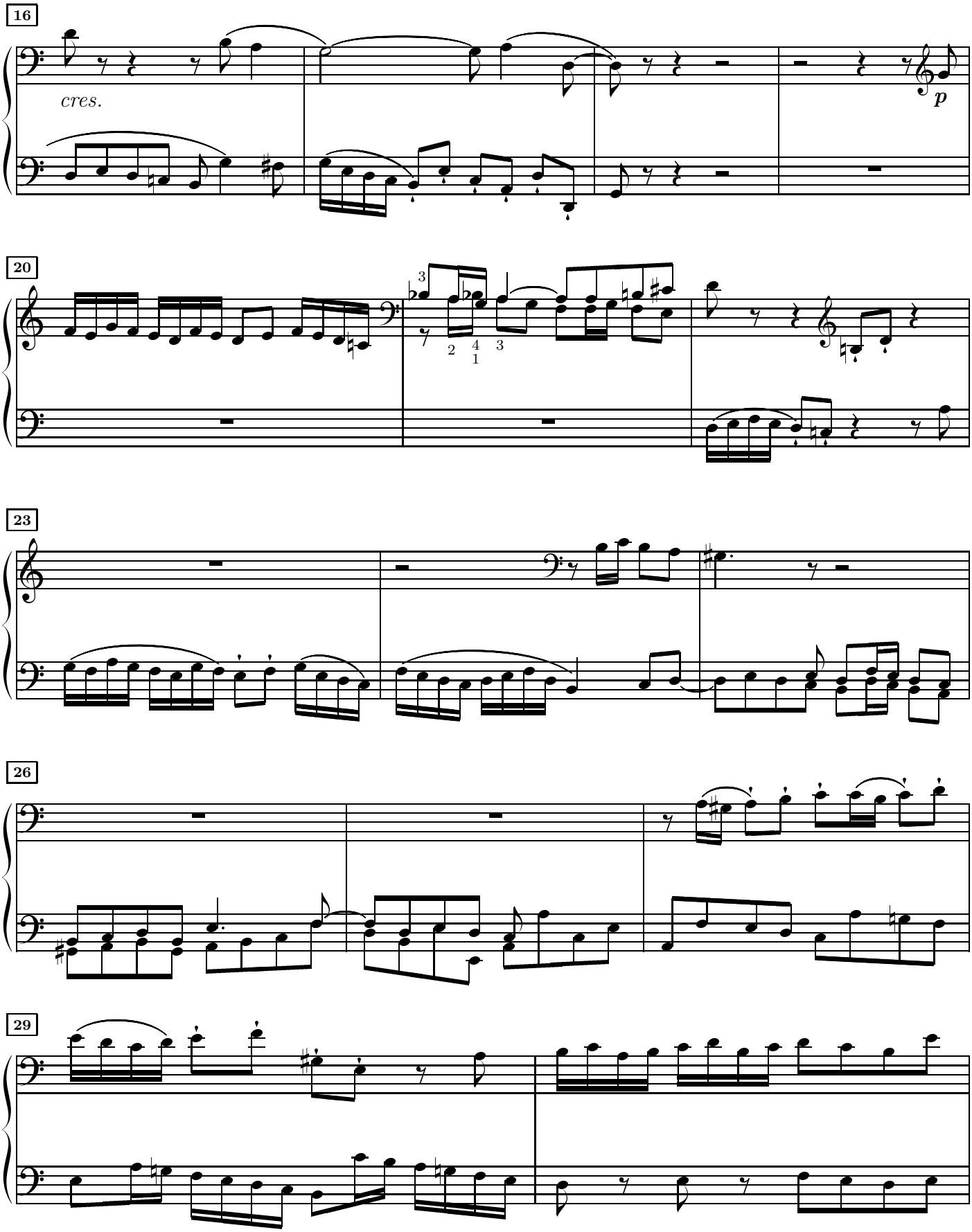
Andante mæstoso.

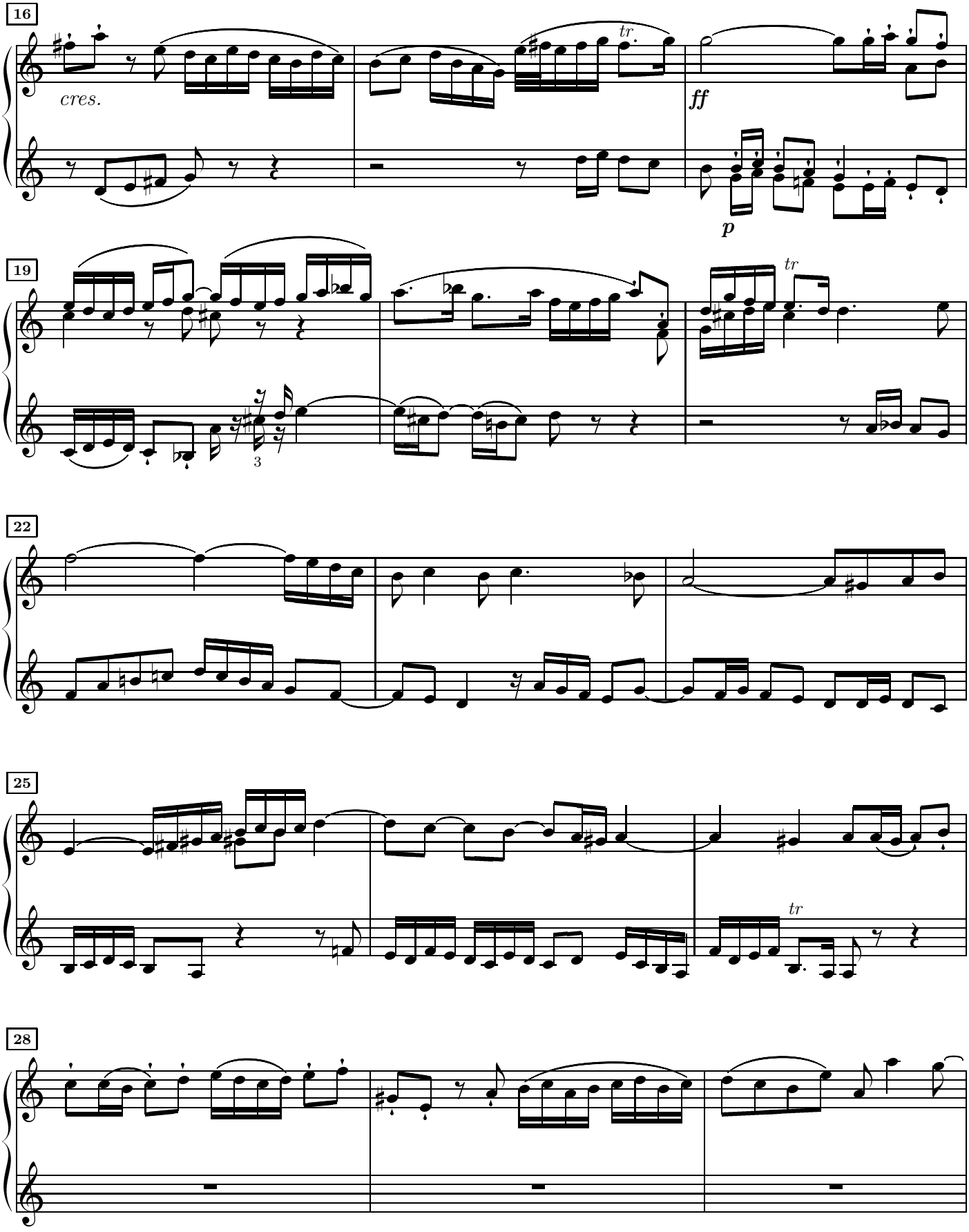


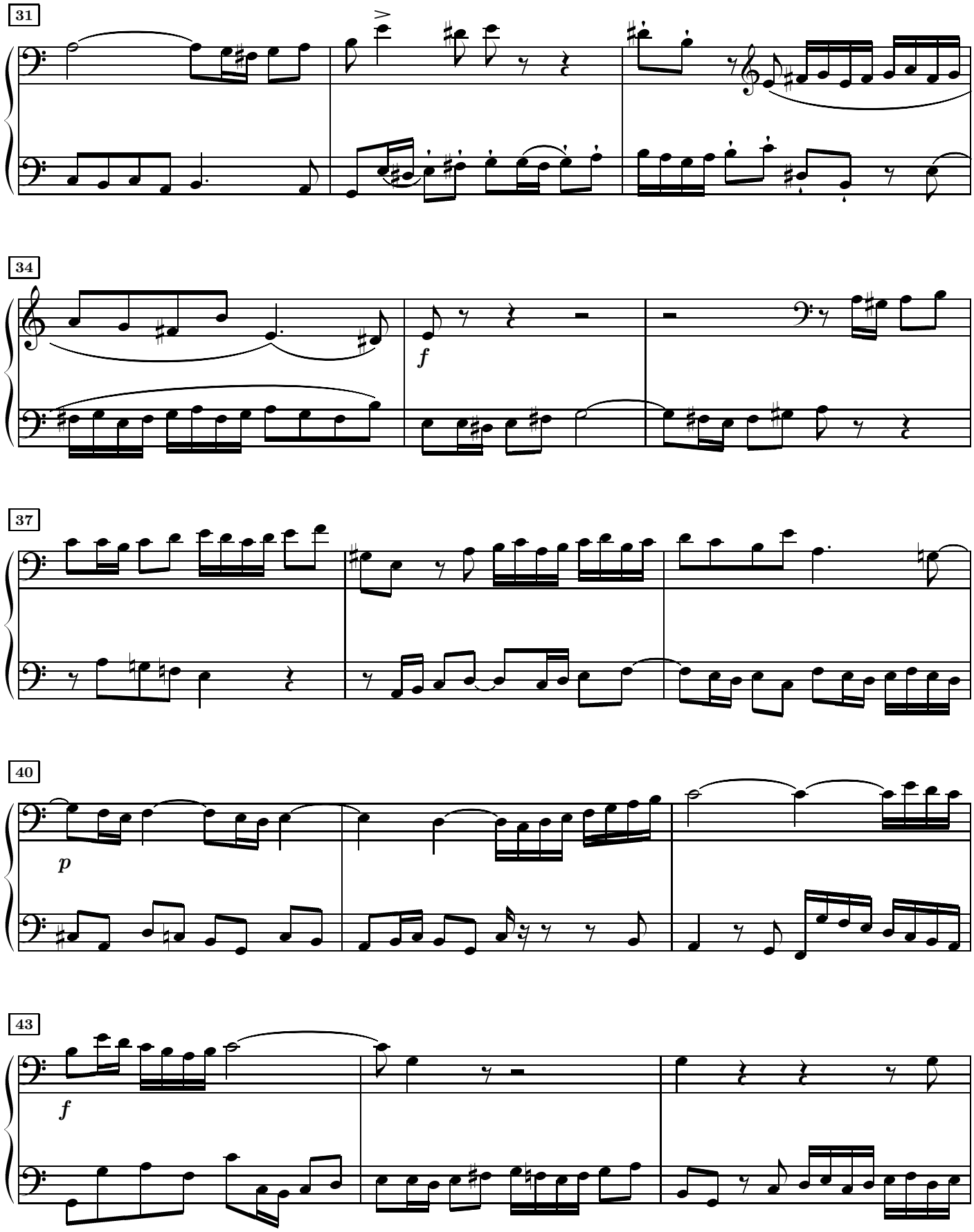
Fugue à 4 voix

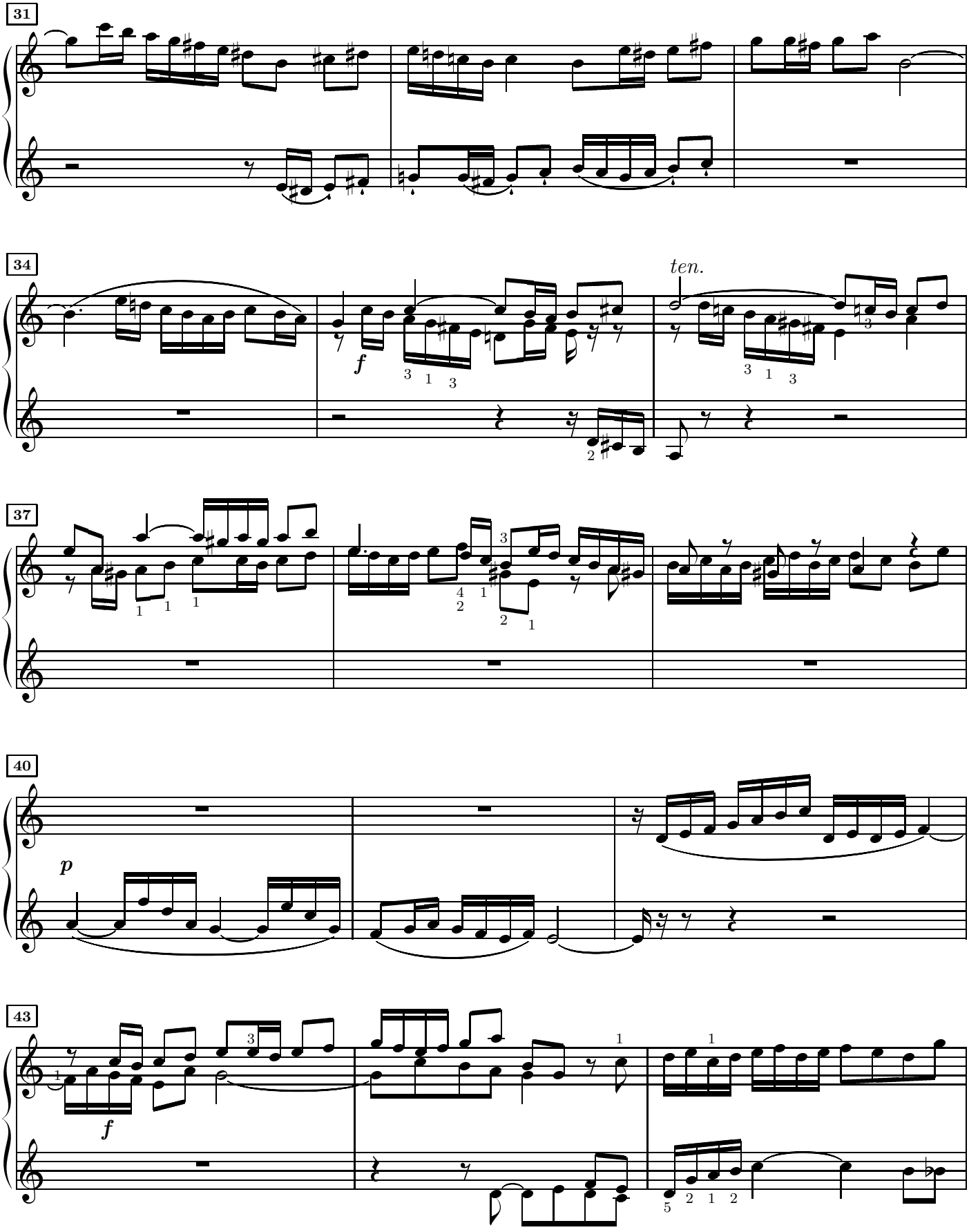
Andante mæstoso.

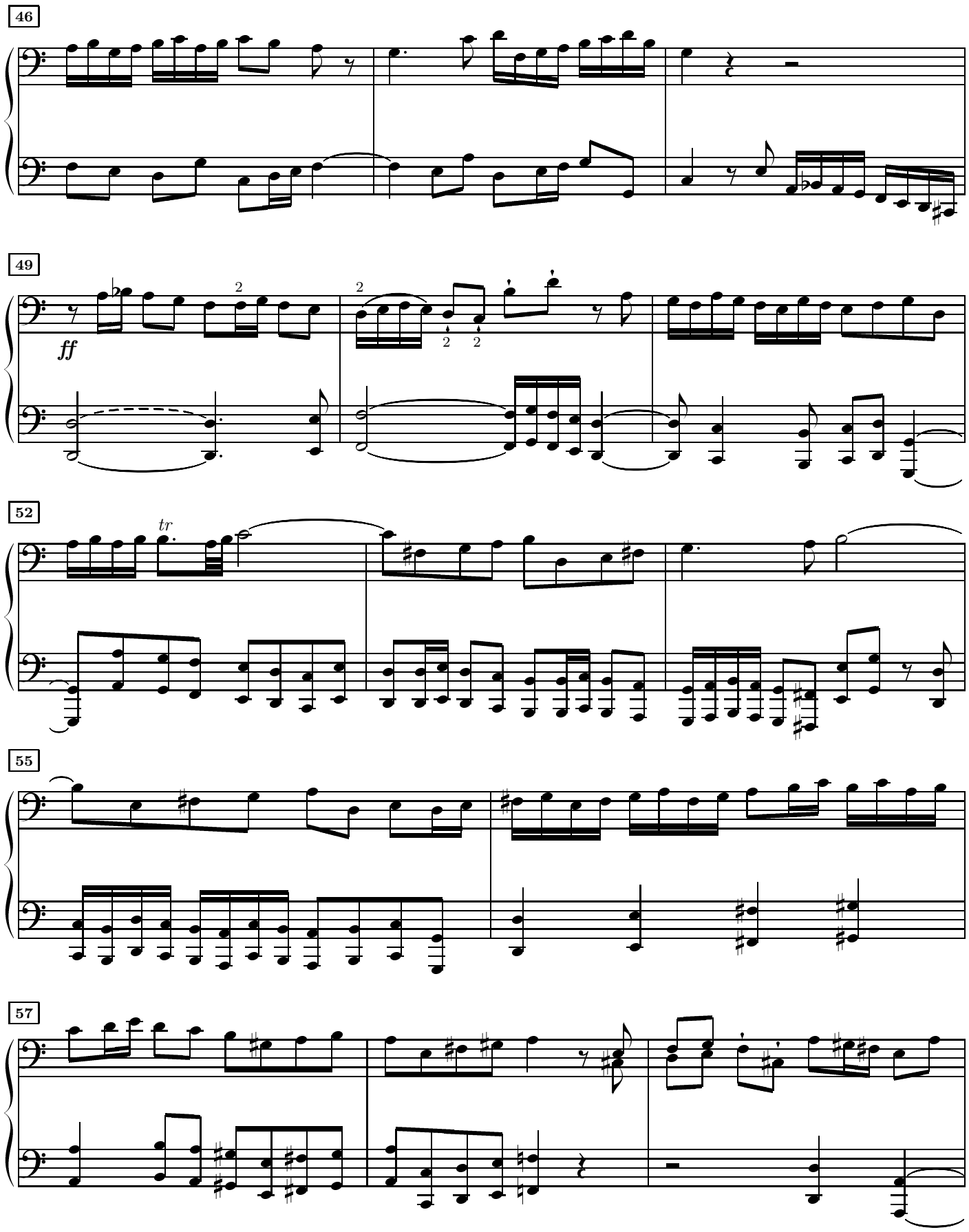


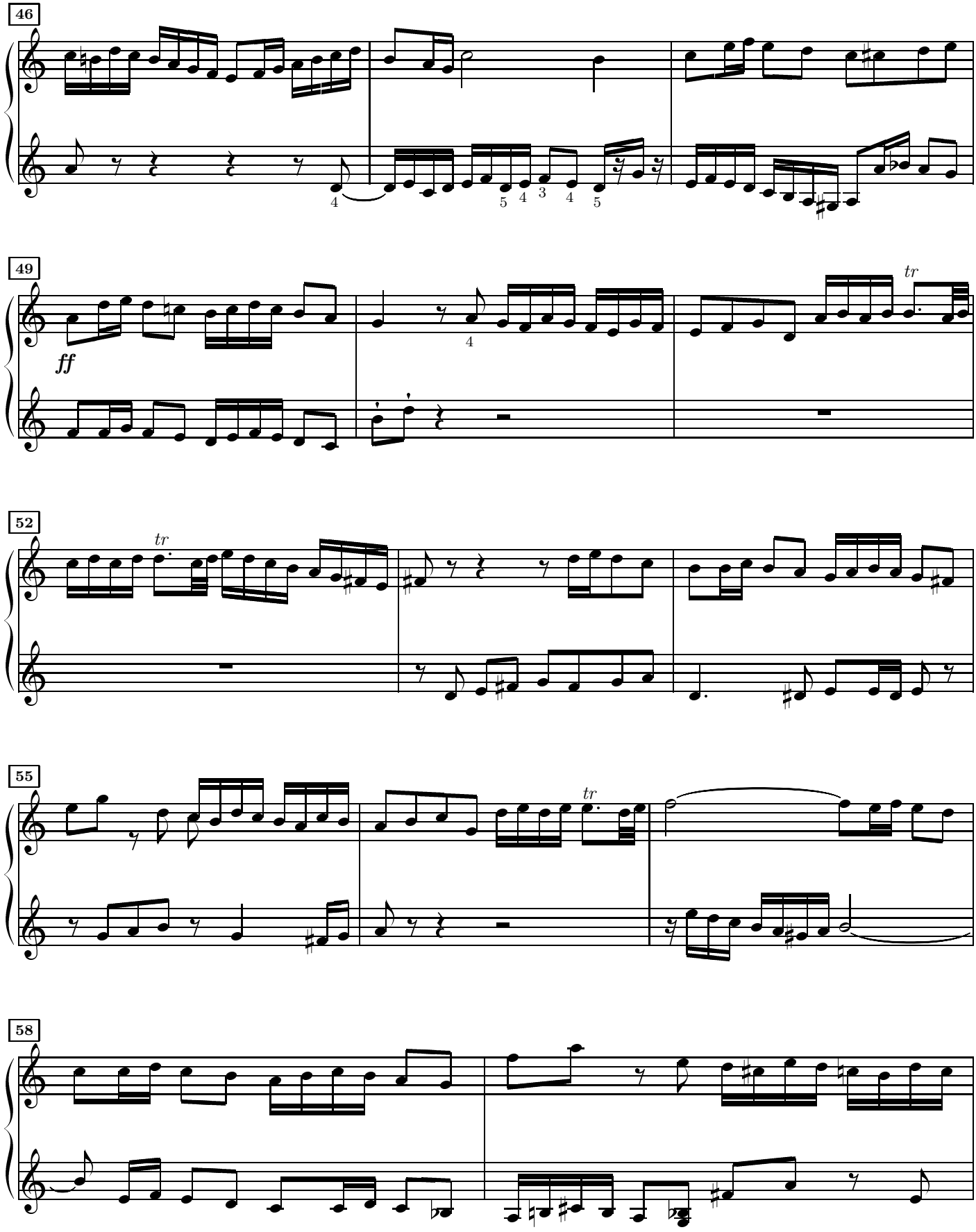

16
cres.
p
20
23
26
29

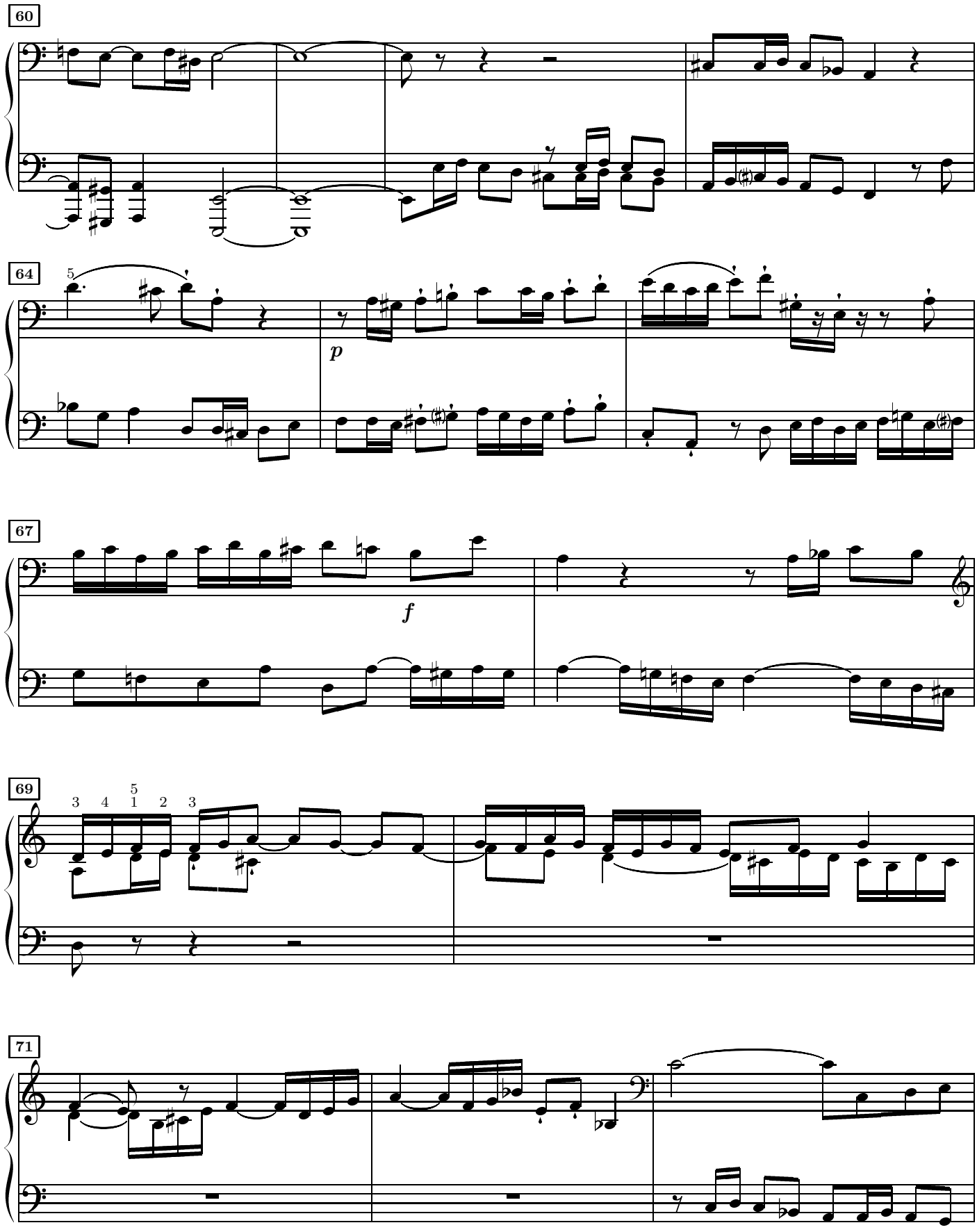

16
cres.
tr.
ff
p
19
tr
3
22
25
tr
28

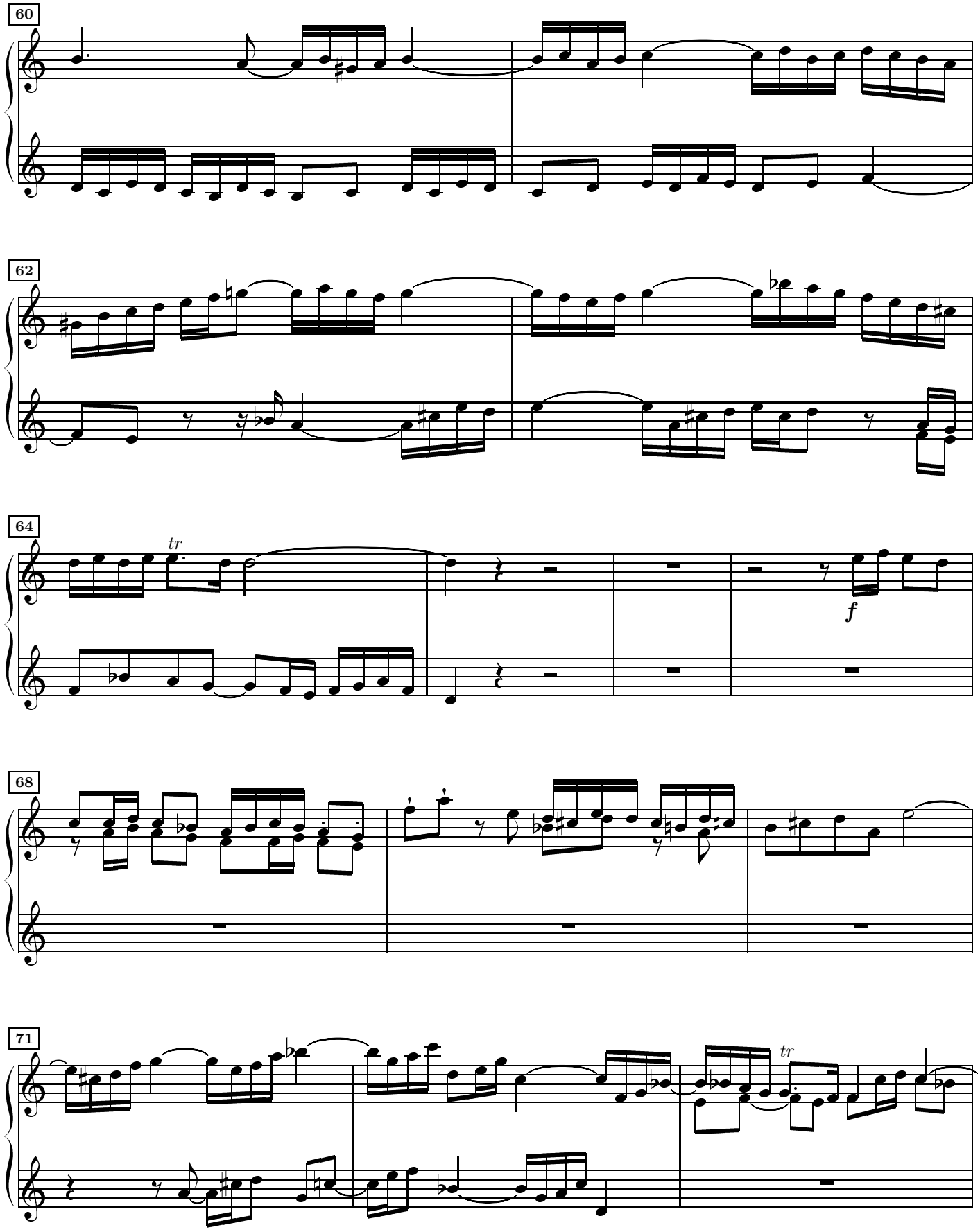

31
34
f
37
40
p
43
f

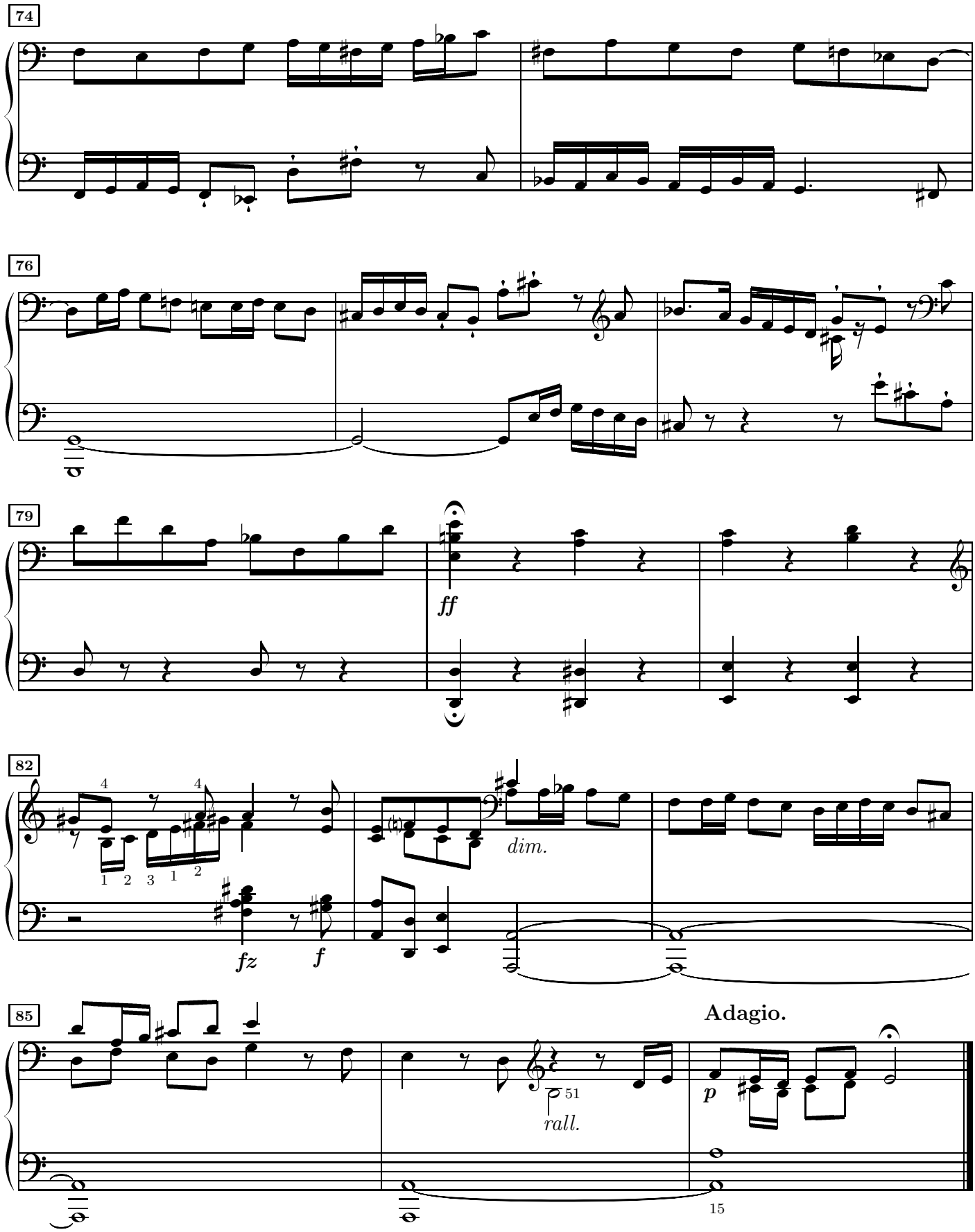

31
34
ten.
37
40
43

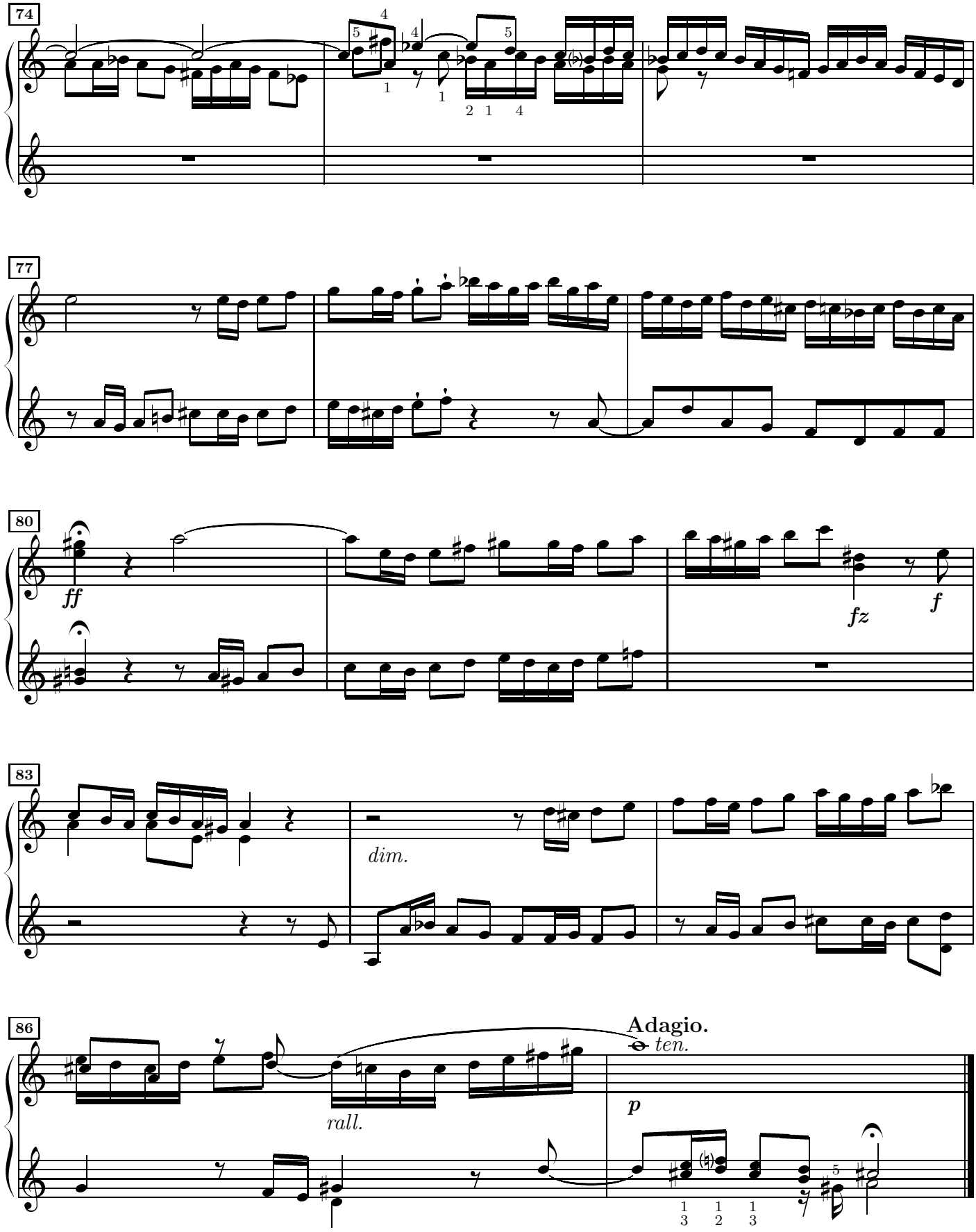

46
49
ff
52
tr
55
57


46
49
ff
tr
52
tr
55
tr
58


60
64
5
p
67
f
69
3 4 5 1 2 3
71


60
62
64
tr
f
68
71
tr

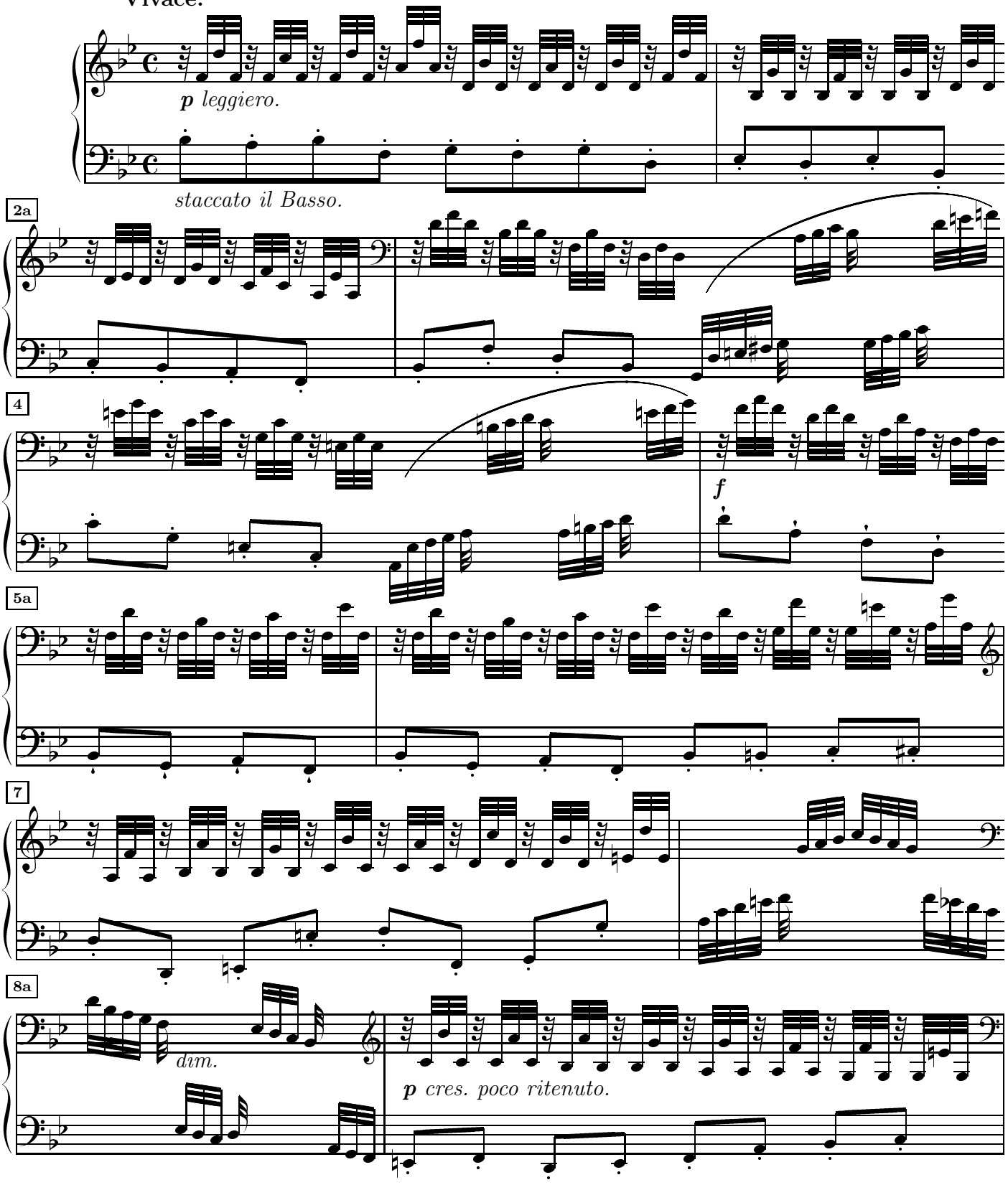

74
76
79
ff
82
dim.
fz
f
85
Adagio.
51
rall.
p
15

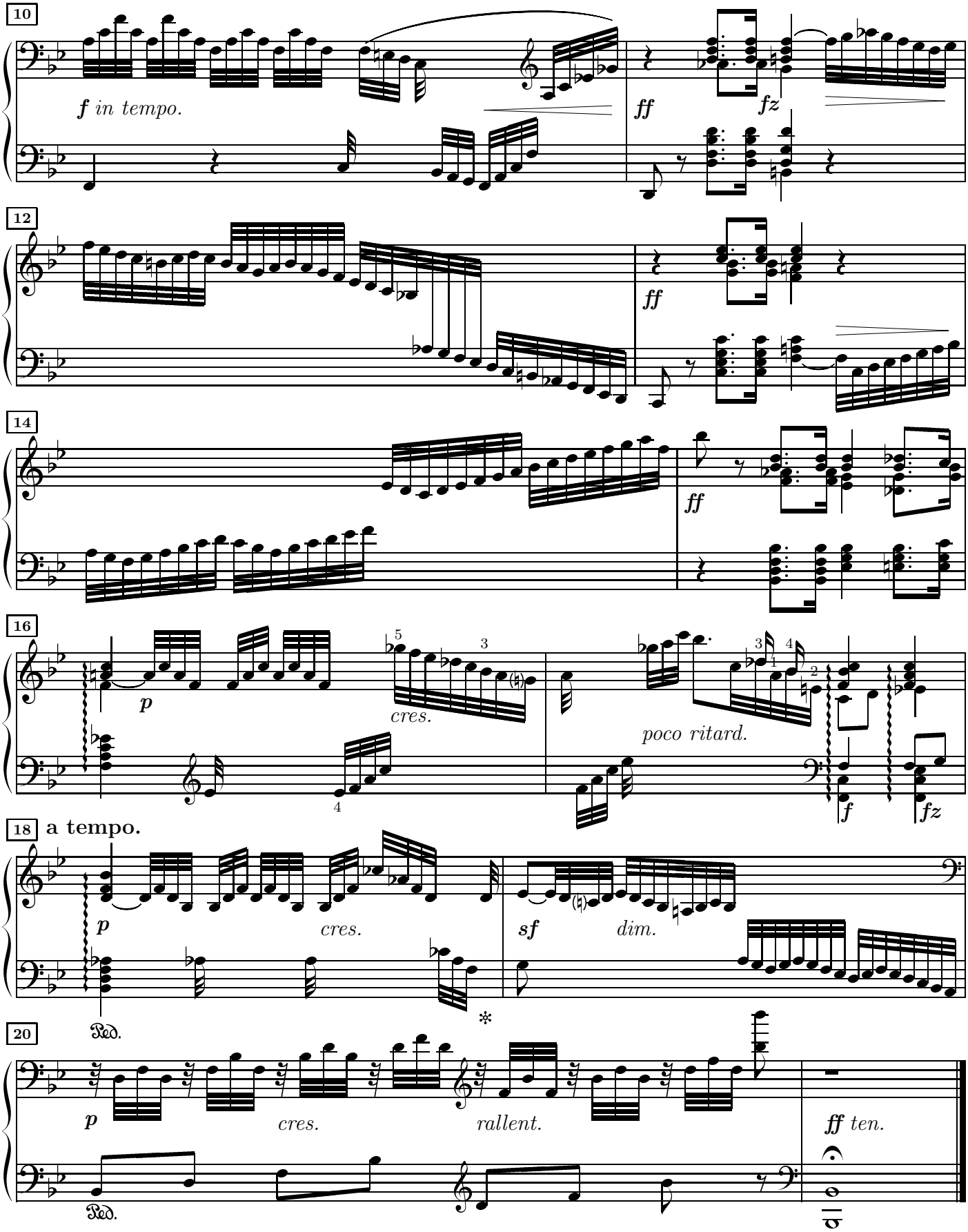

74
77
80
ff
fz
f
83
dim.
86
Adagio.
ten.
rall.
p

21.e en si bémol majeur

Prélude
Vivace.

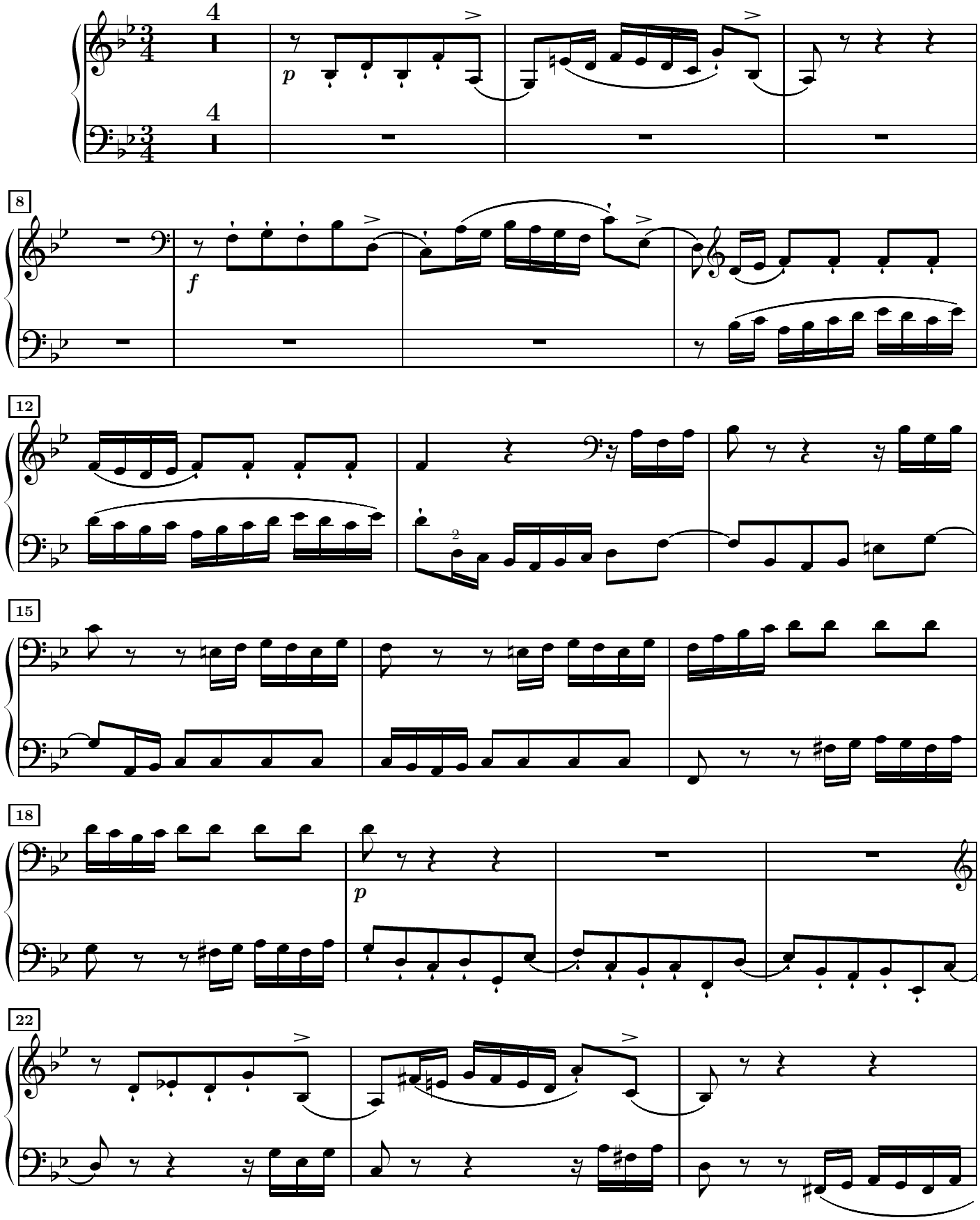
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini




10
f in tempo.
ff
fz
12
ff
14
ff
16
p
cres.
poco ritard.
f
fz
18
a tempo.
p
cres.
sf
dim.
Ped.
20
p
cres.
rallent.
ff ten.
Ped.

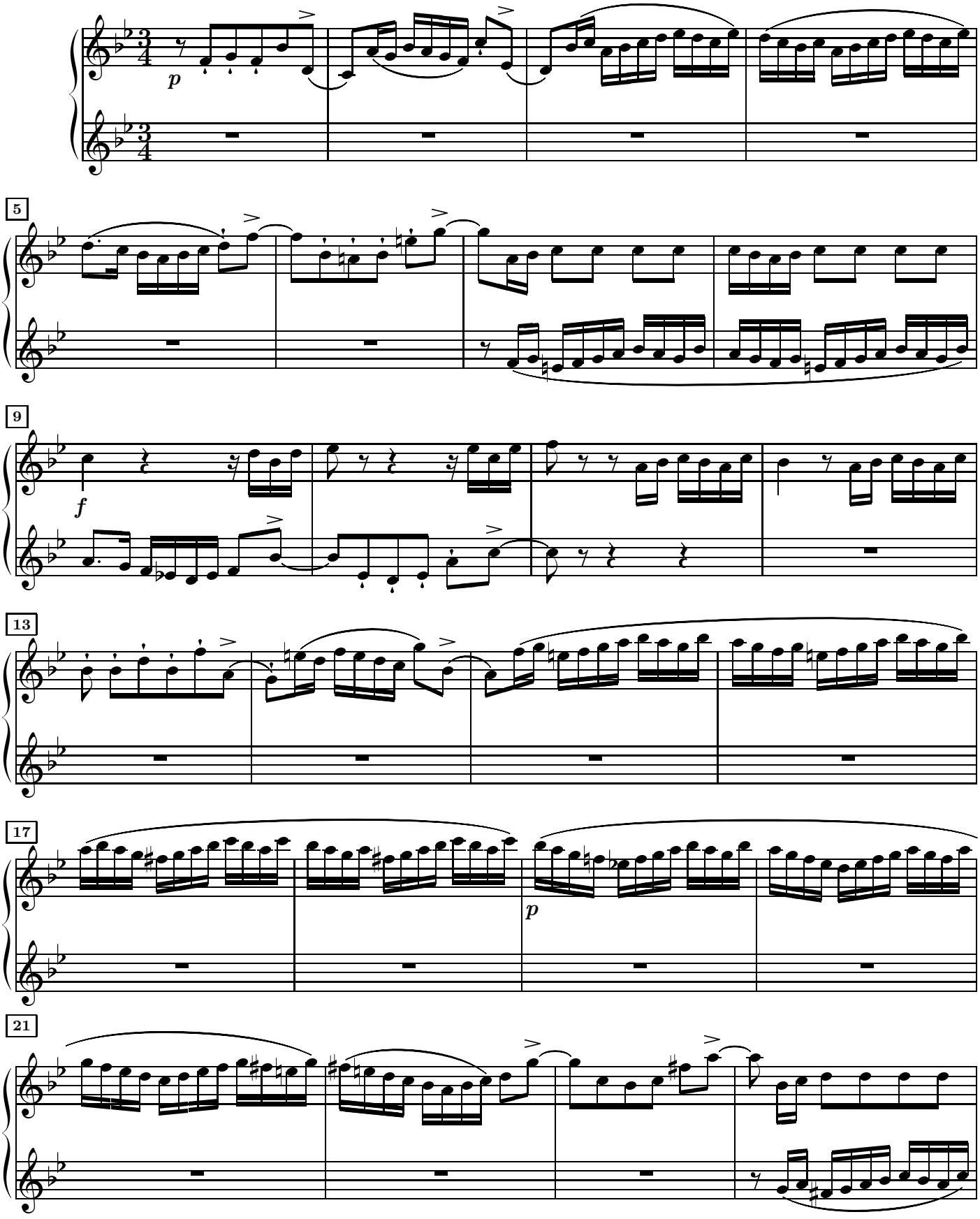
Fugue à 3 voix

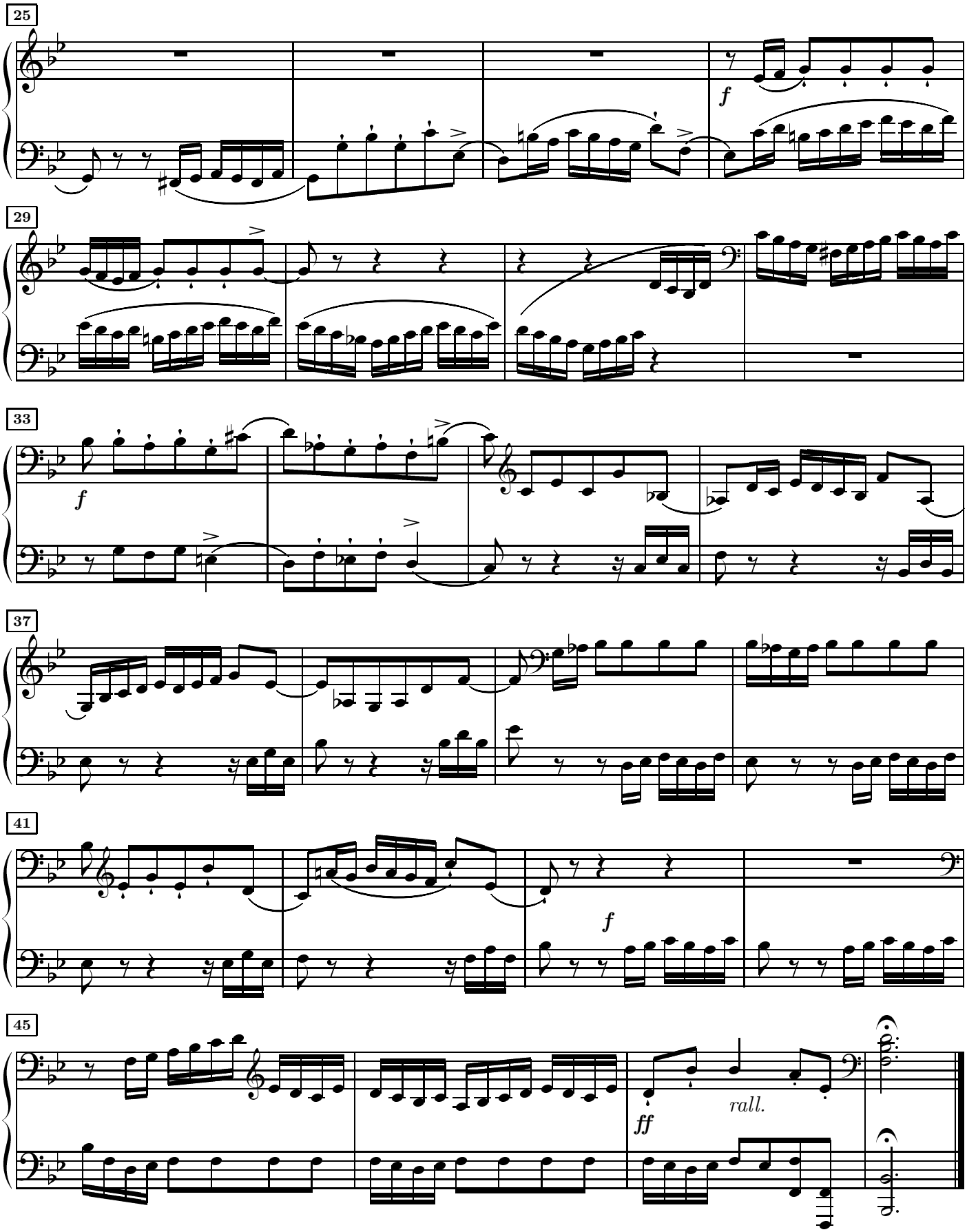
Allegro.

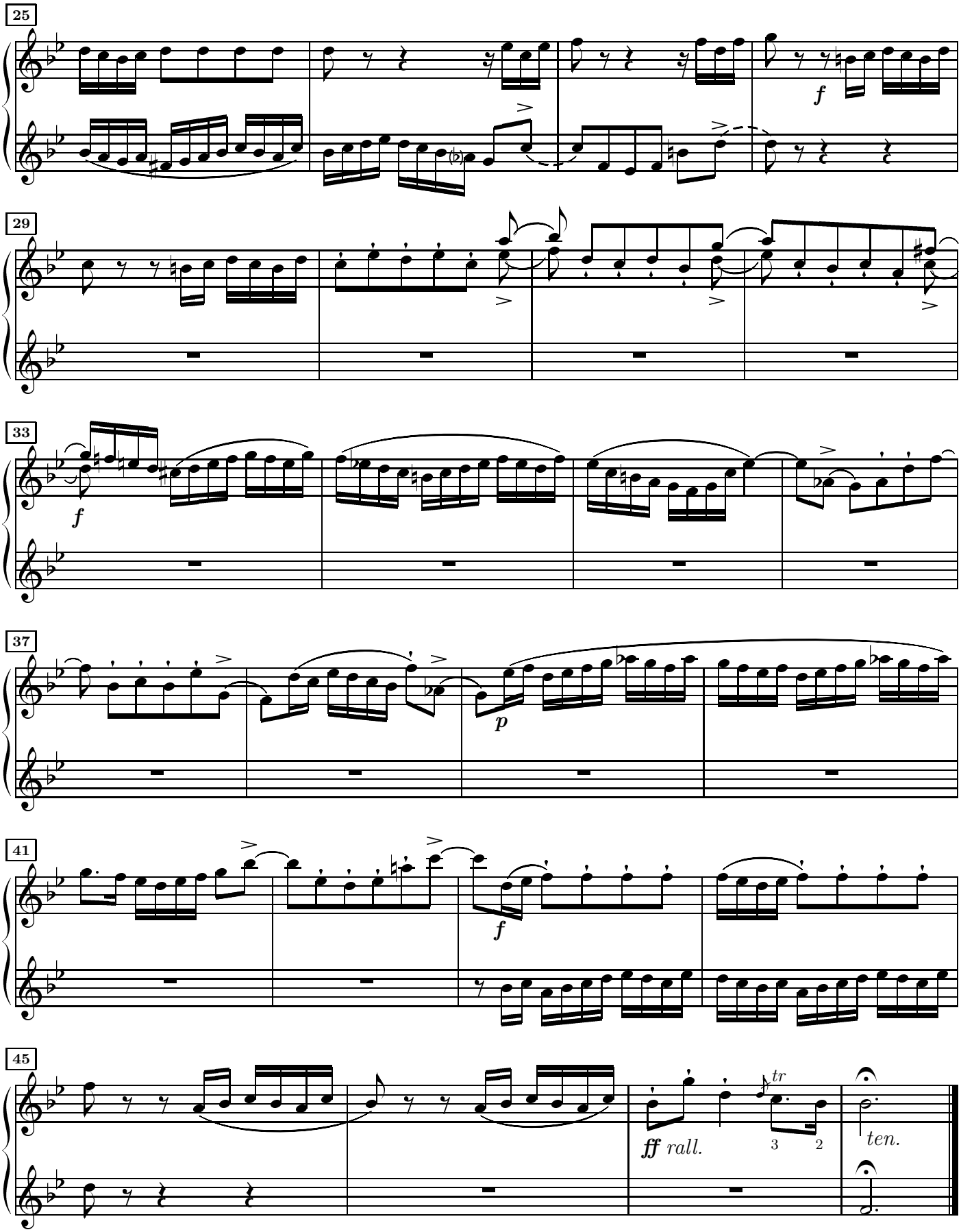


Fugue à 3 voix

Allegro.




25
f
29
33
f
37
41
f
45
ff
rall.

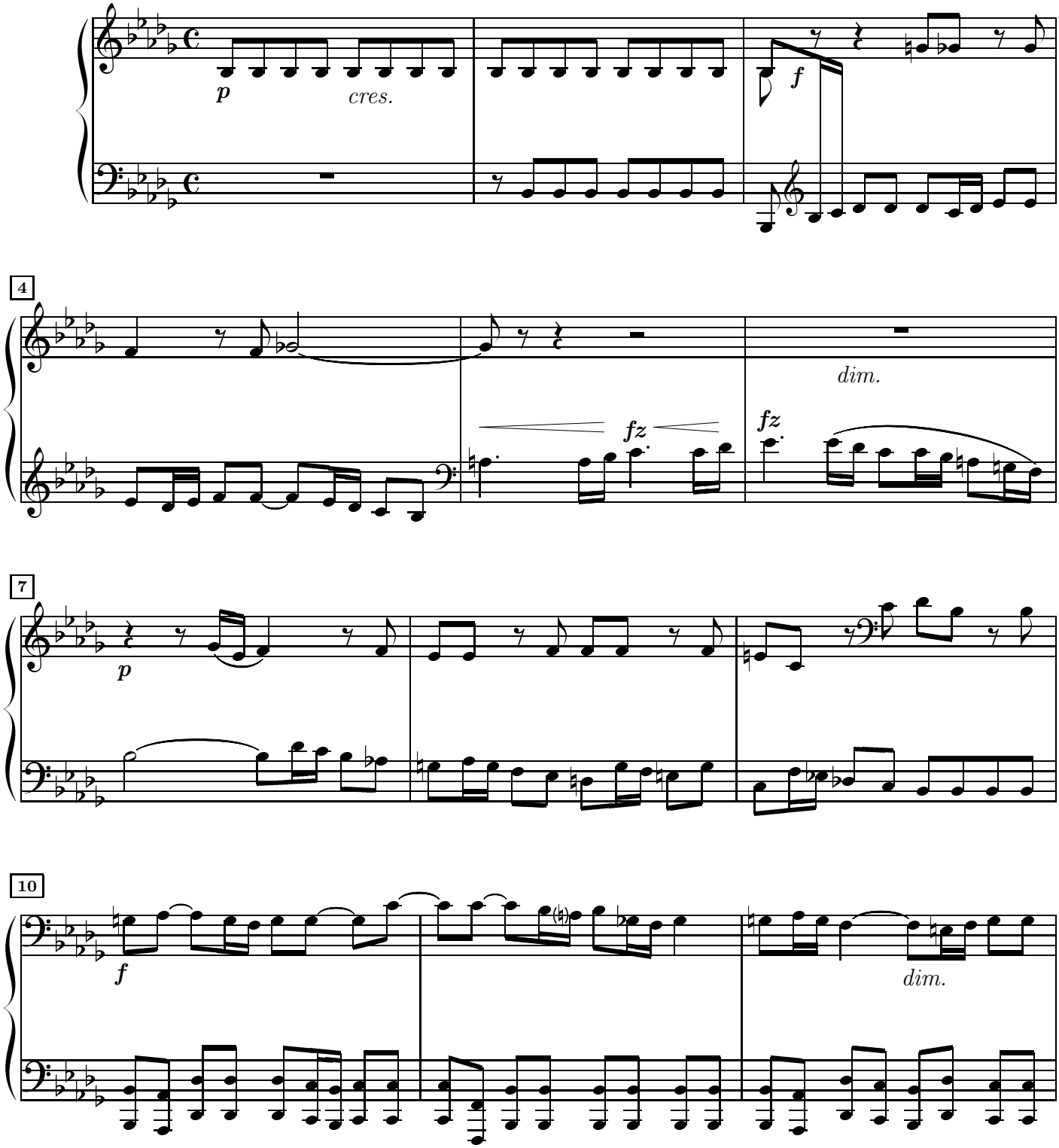

25
f
29
33
f
37
p
41
f
45
ff rall.
tr
3
2
ten.

22.e en si bémol mineur

Prélude

Lento sostenuto.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

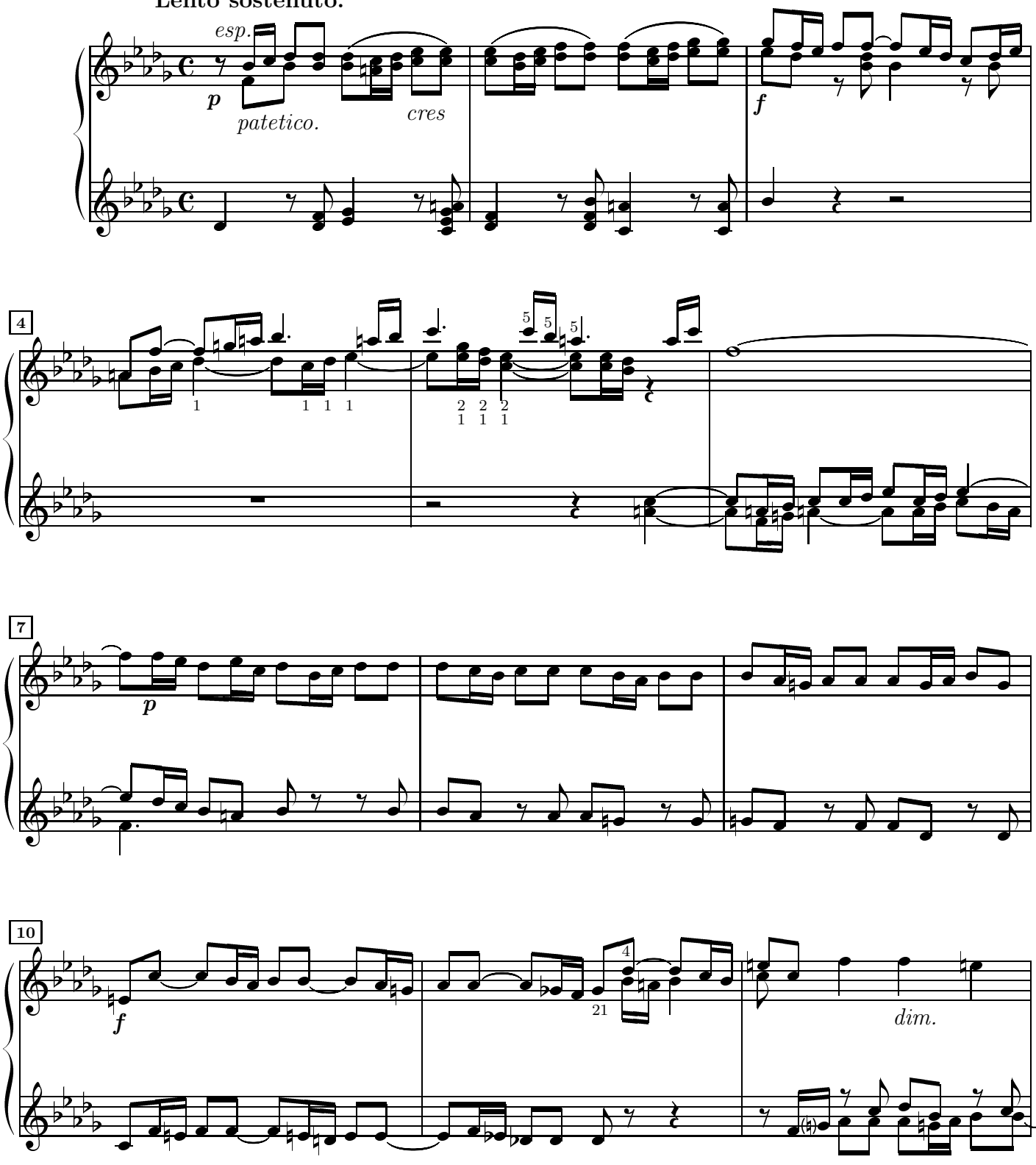


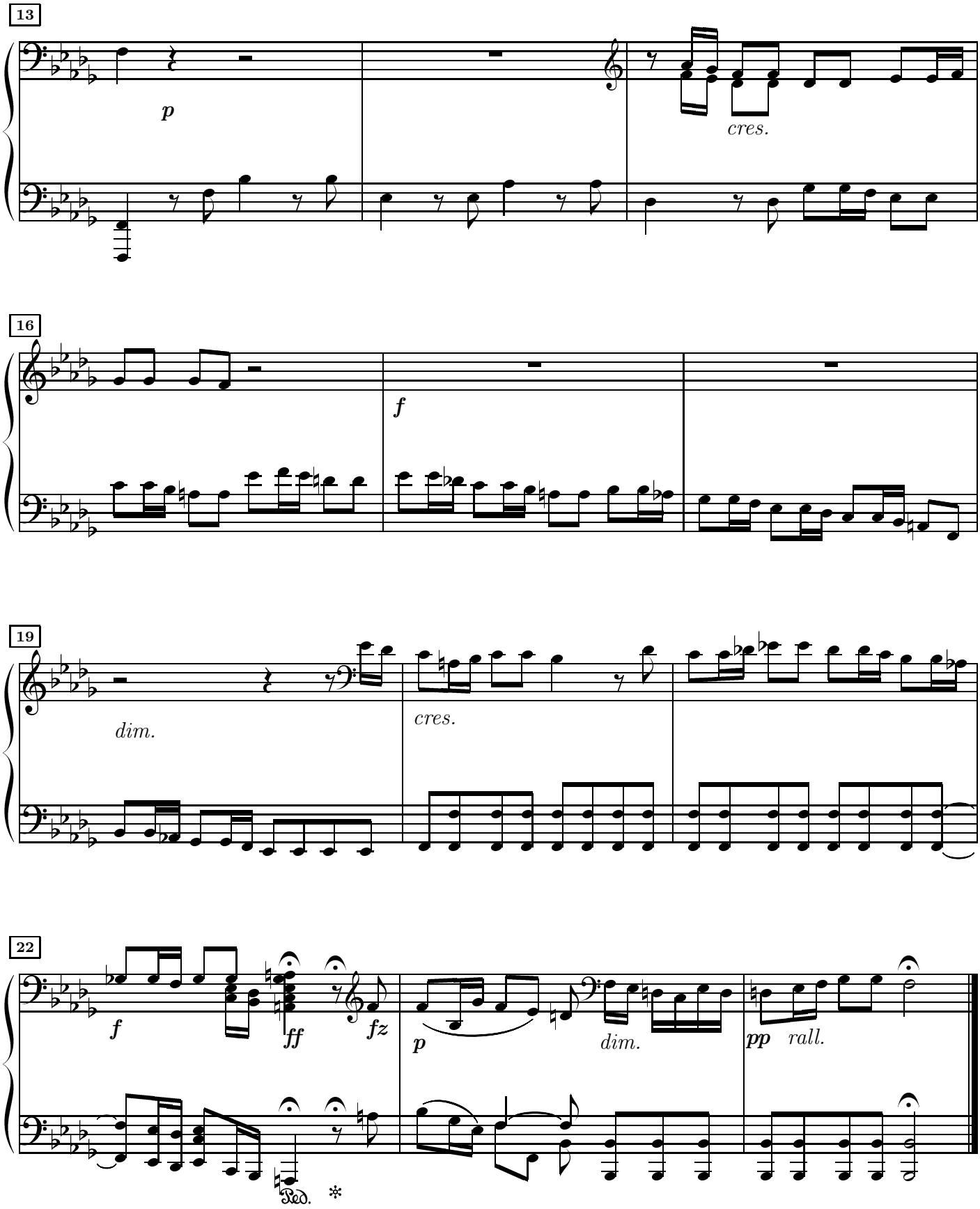
22.e en si bémol mineur

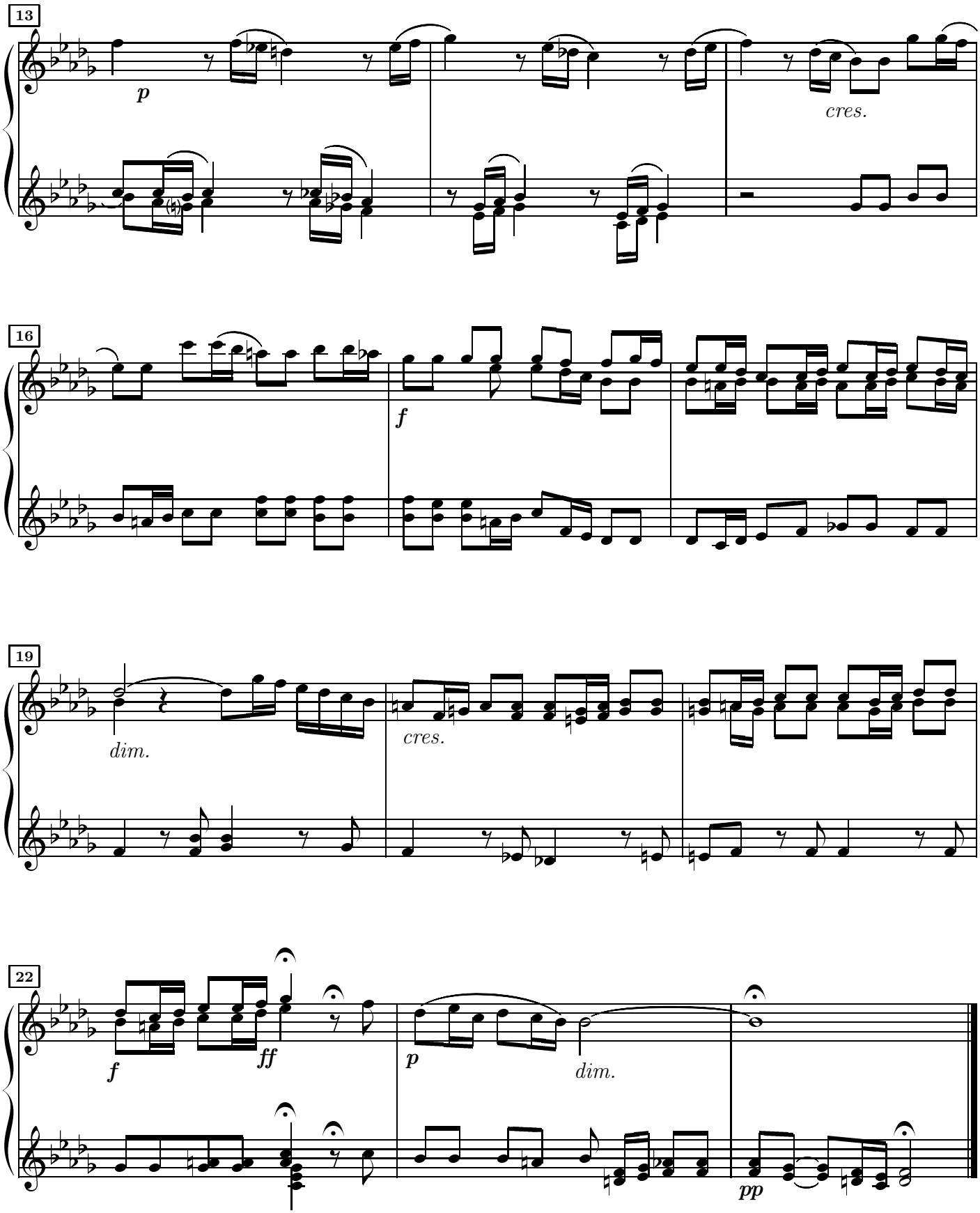
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

Prélude

Lento sostenuto.

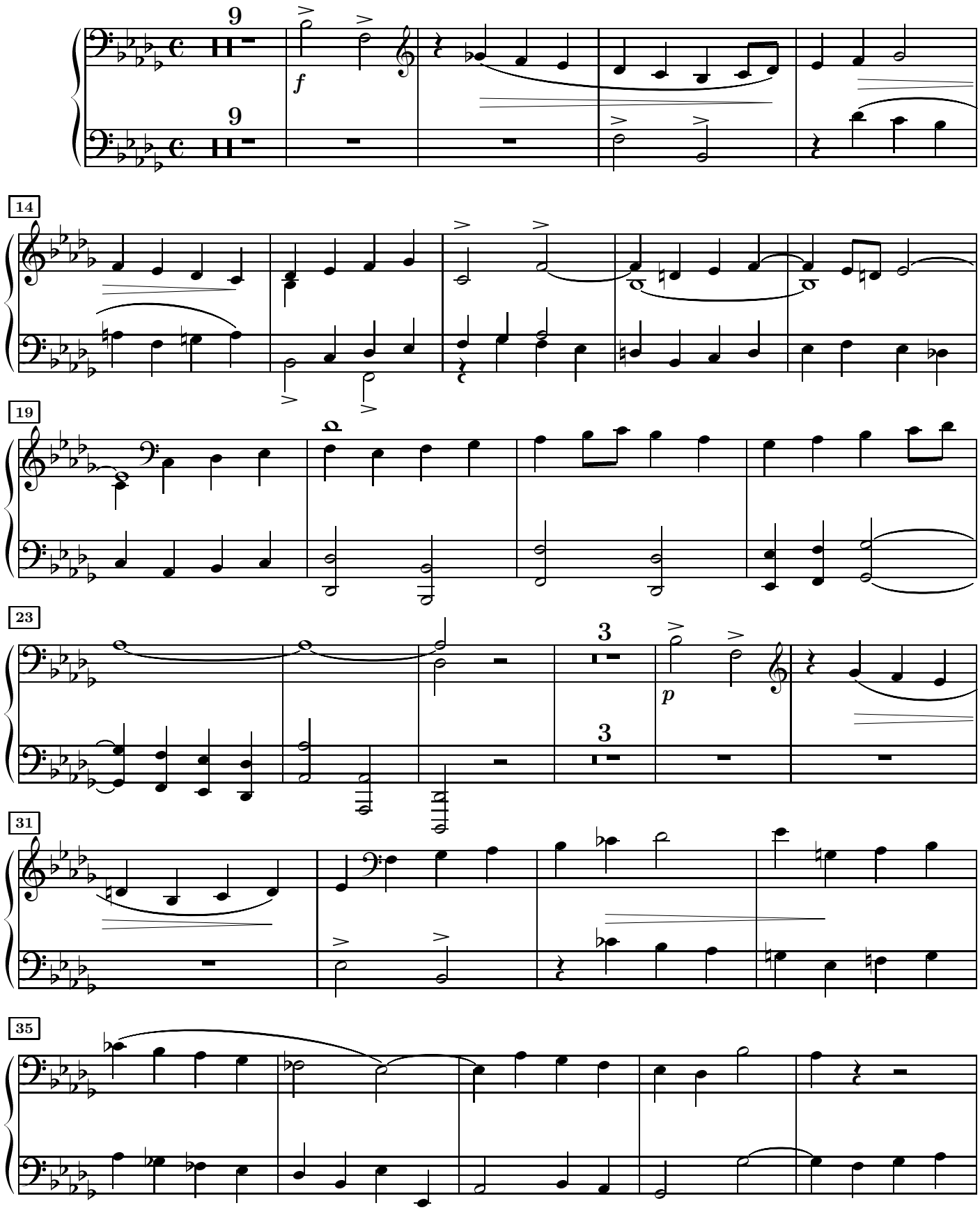



13
p
cres.
16
f
19
dim.
cres.
22
f
ff
fz
p
dim.
pp
rall.
Ped.
*


13
p
cres.
16
f
19
dim.
cres.
22
f
ff
p
dim.
pp

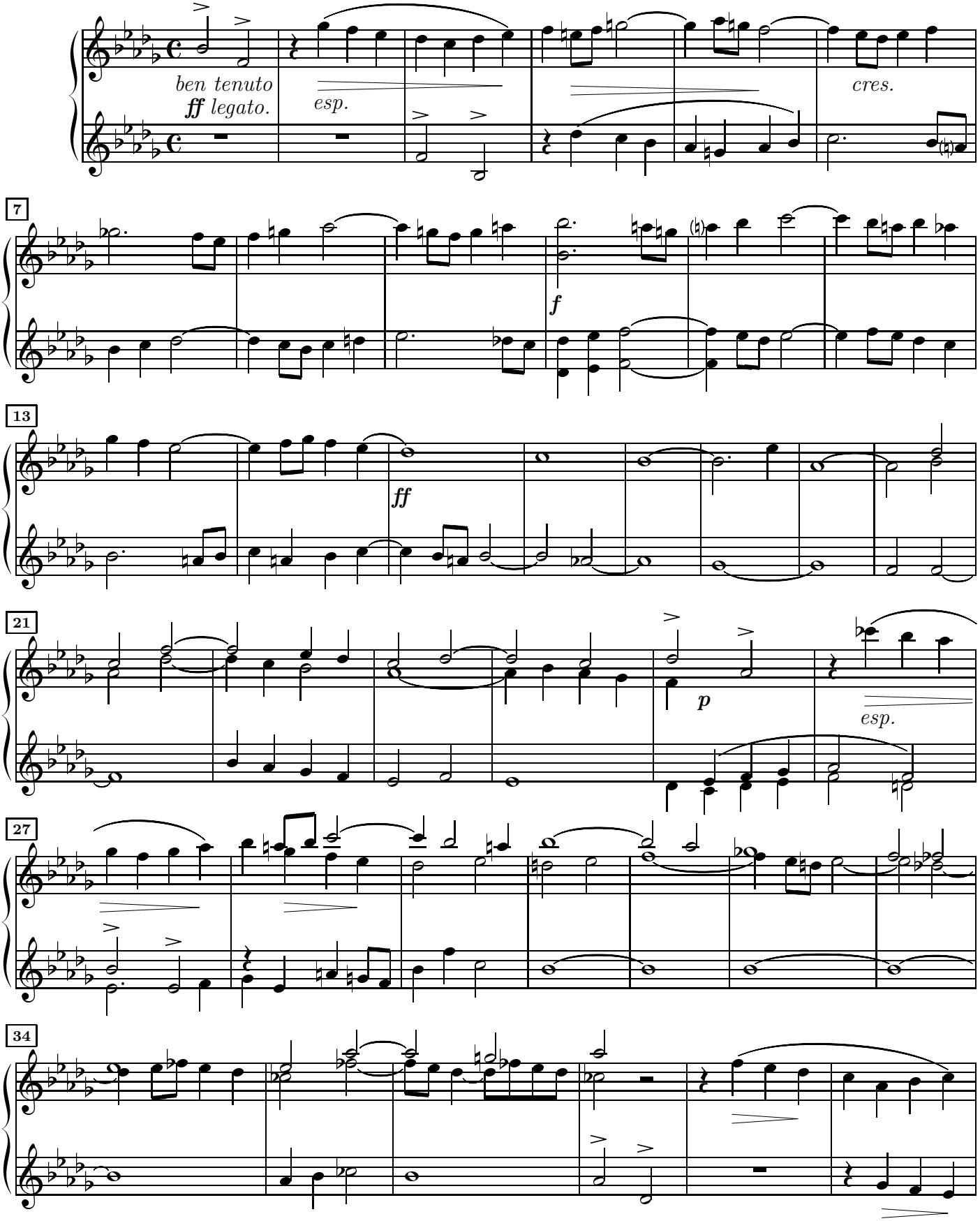
Fugue à 5 voix

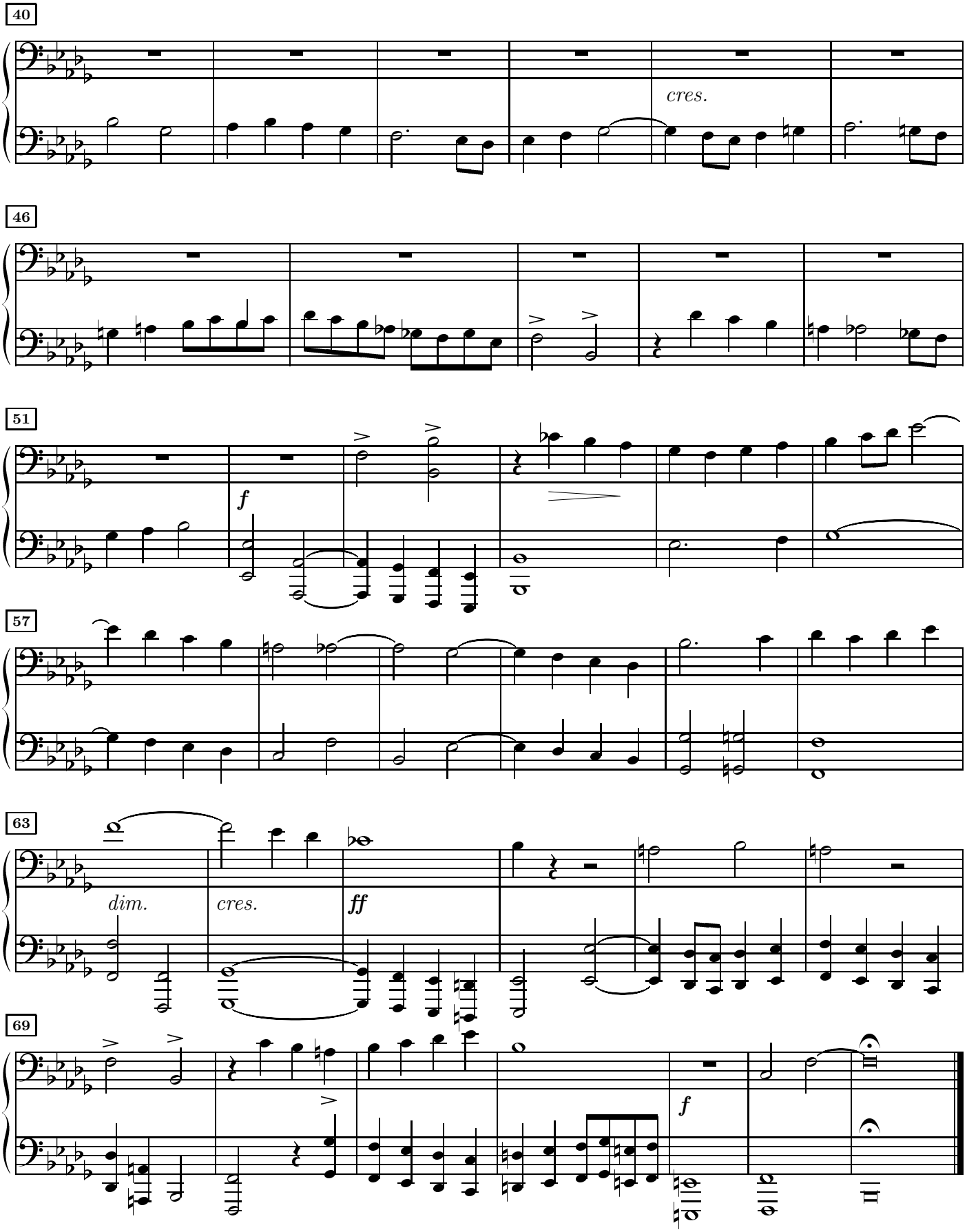
Grave.

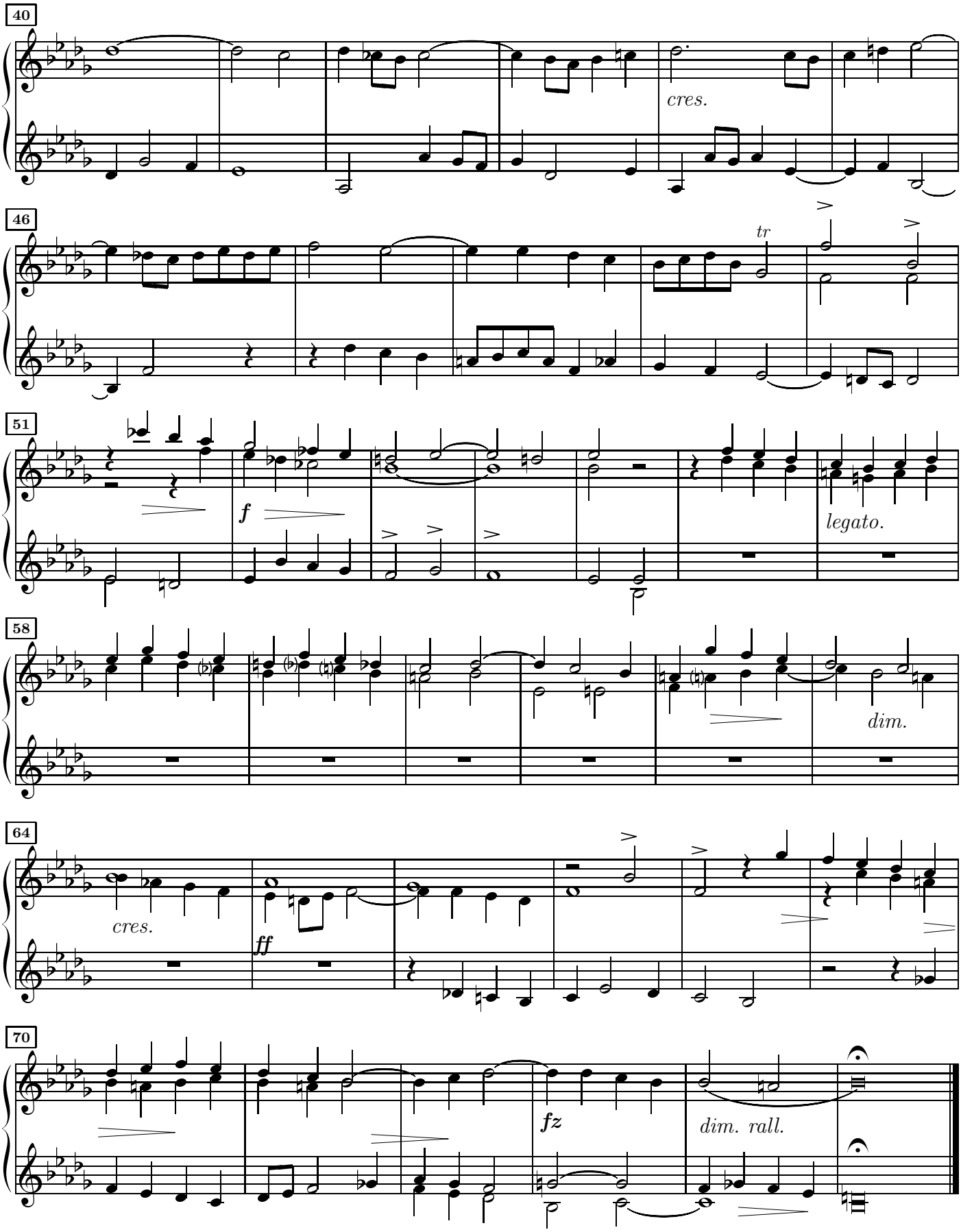


Fugue à 5 voix

Grave.



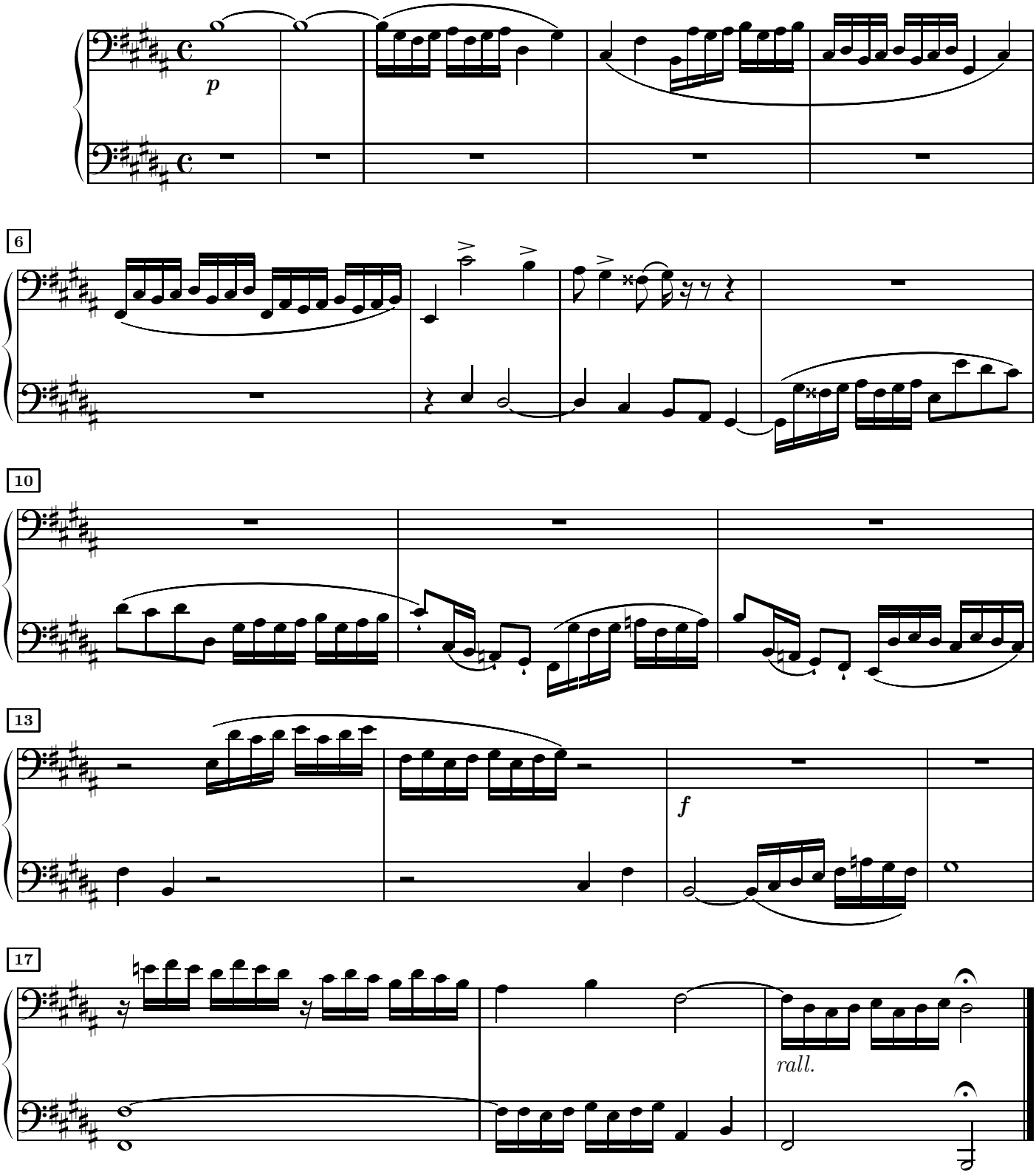

40
cres.
46
51
f
57
63
dim.
cres.
ff
69
f


40
cres.
46
tr
51
f
legato.
58
dim.
64
cres.
ff
70
fz
dim. rall.

23.e en si majeur

Prélude
Moderato.

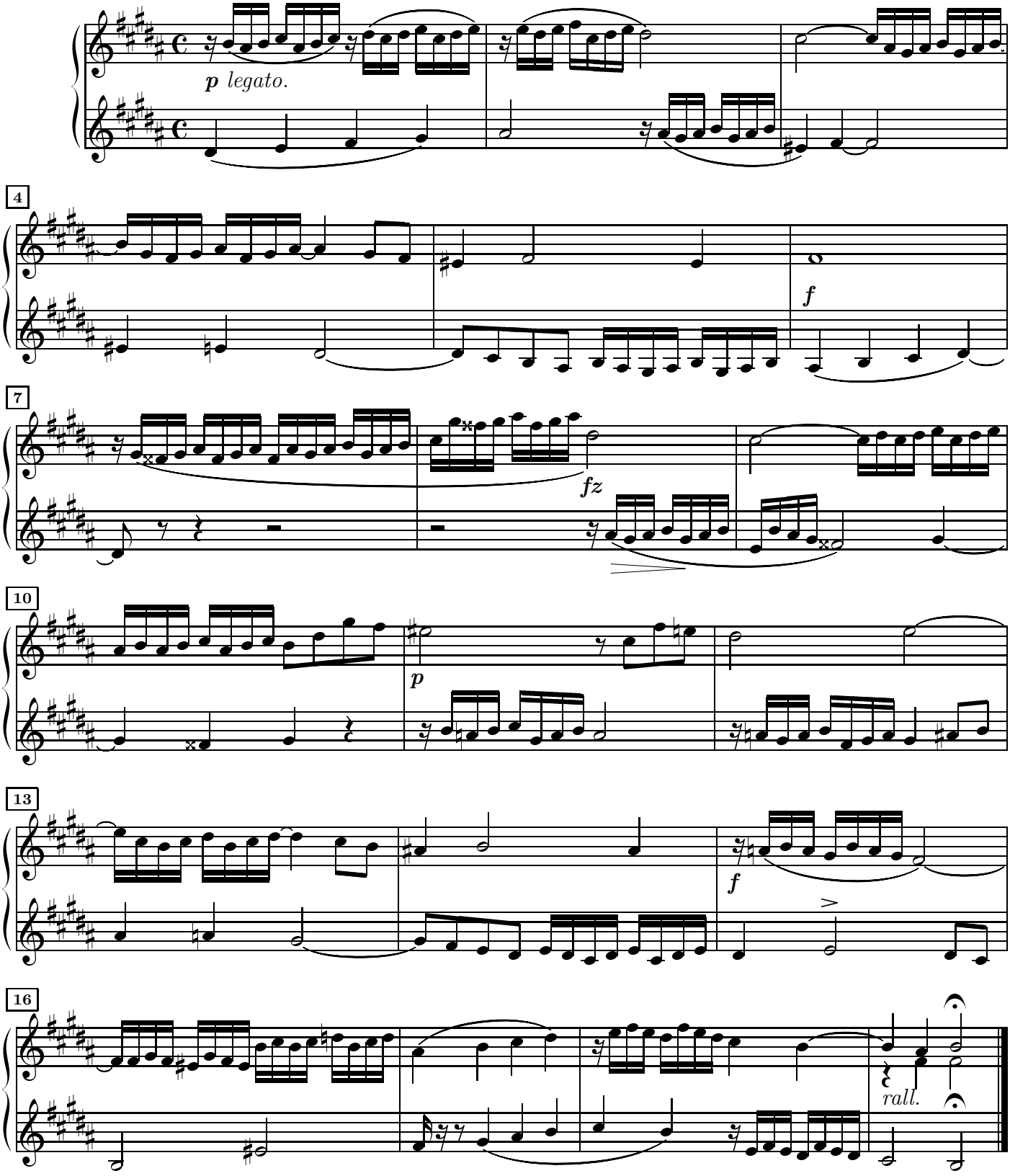
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini



23.e en si majeur

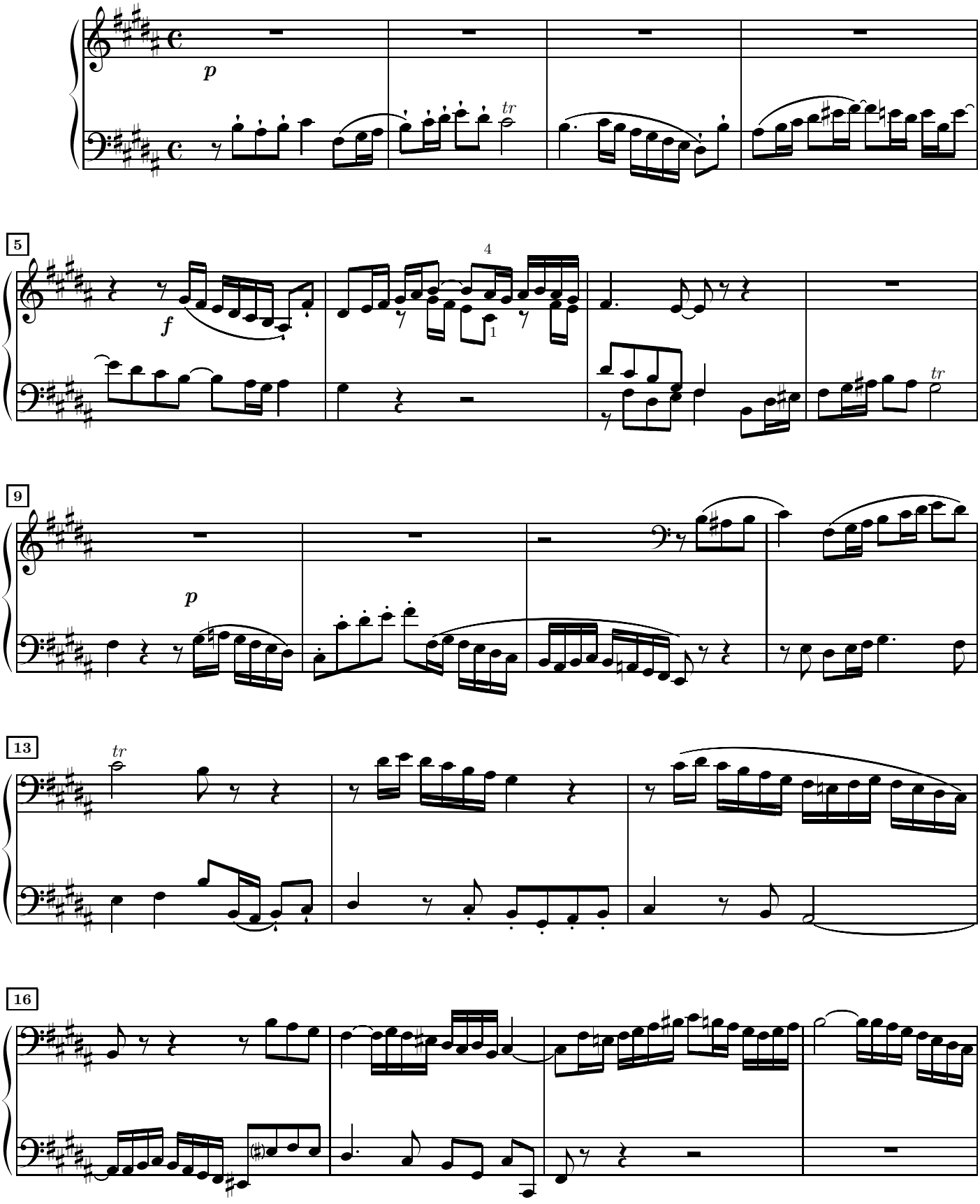
Prélude
Moderato.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini



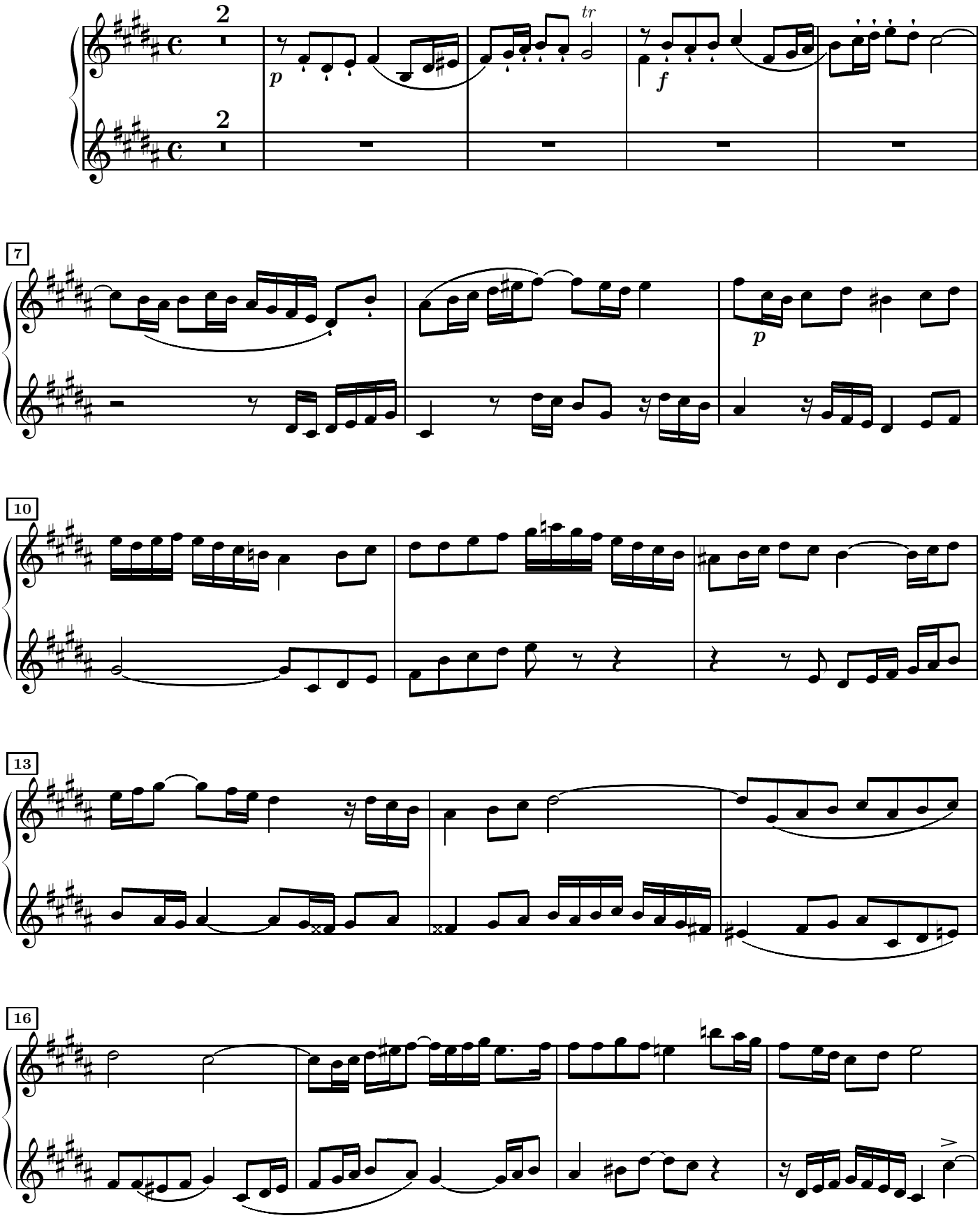
Fugue à 4 voix

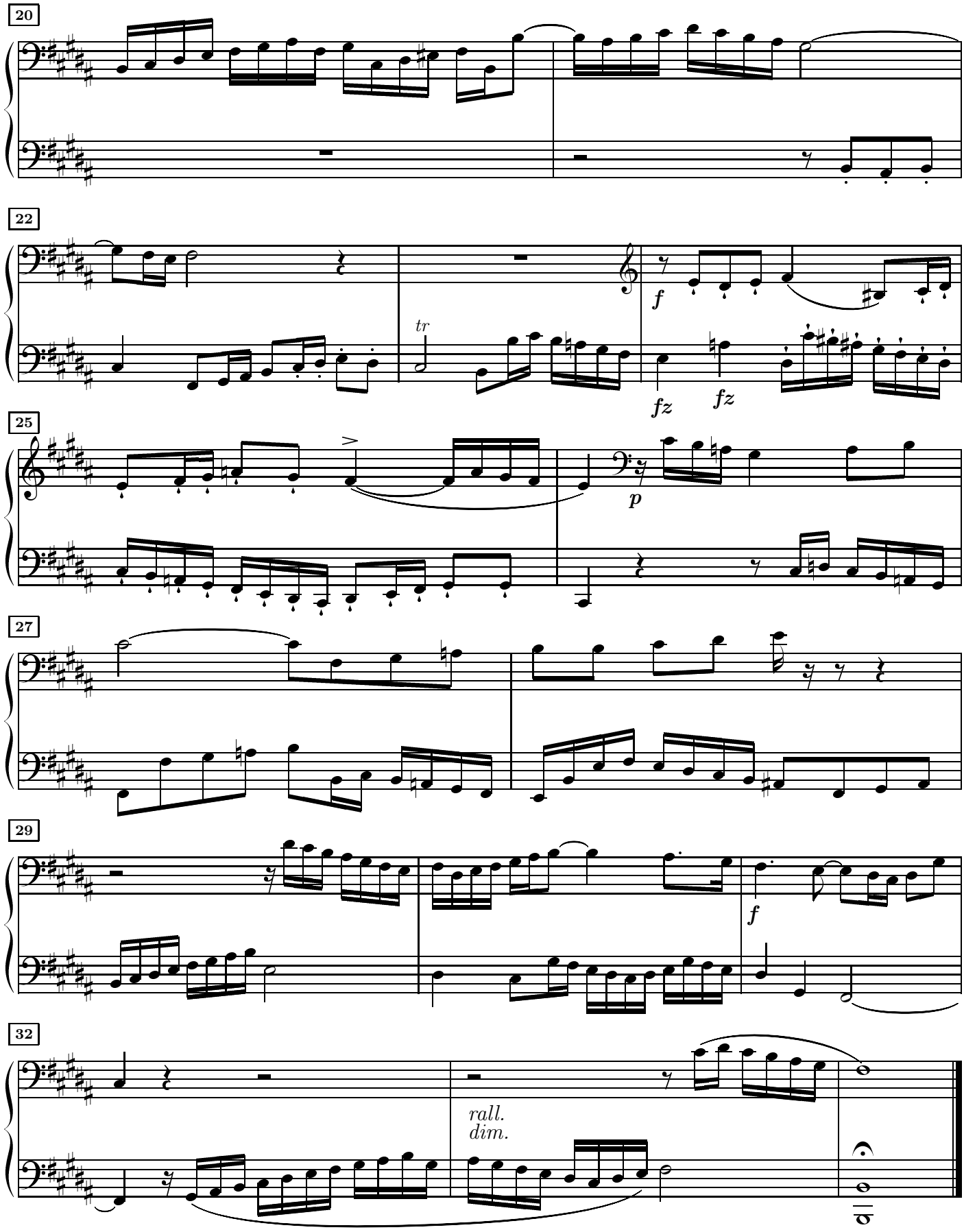
Andante.

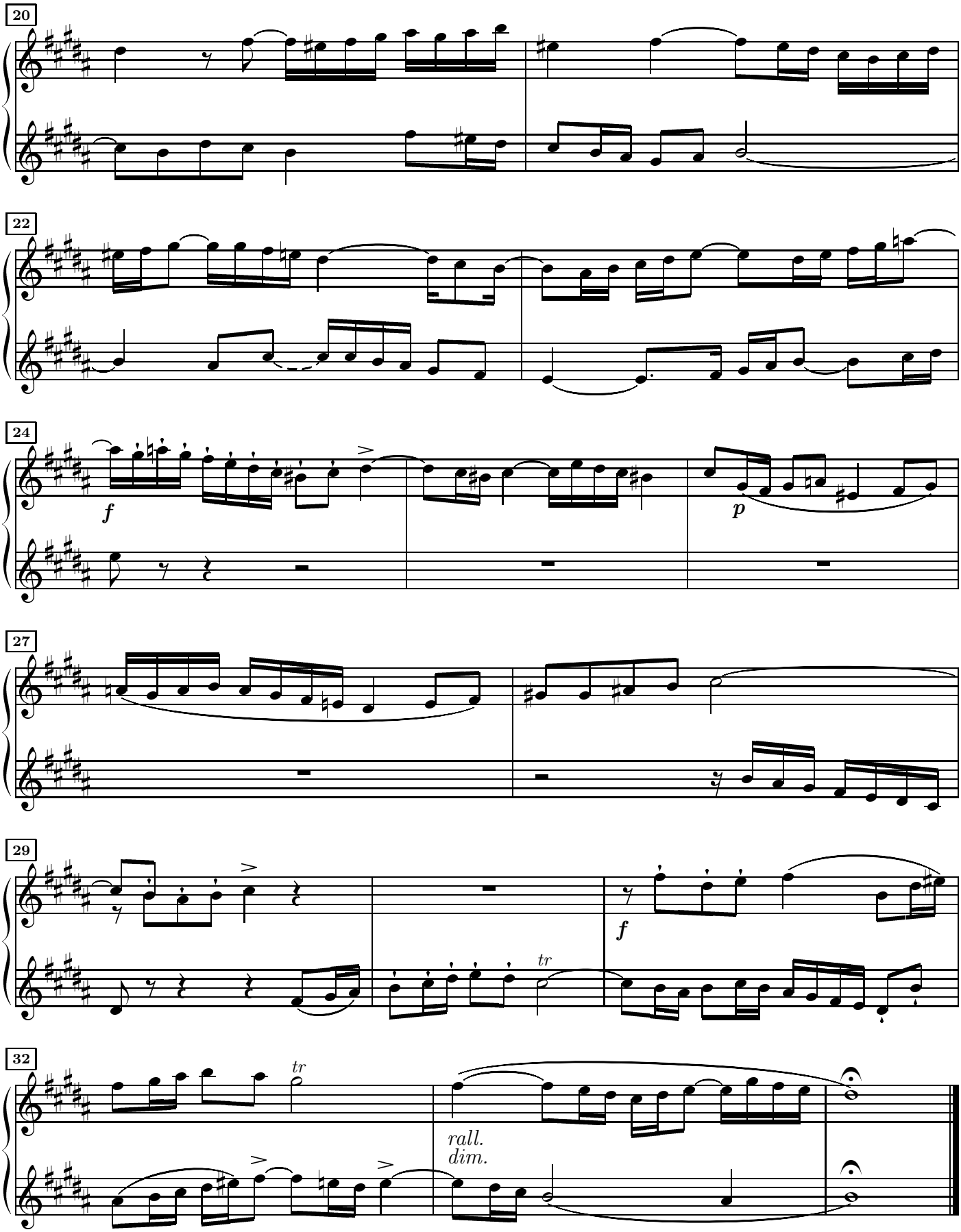


Fugue à 4 voix

Andante.




20
22
tr
f
fz
fz
25
p
27
29
f
32
rall.
dim.

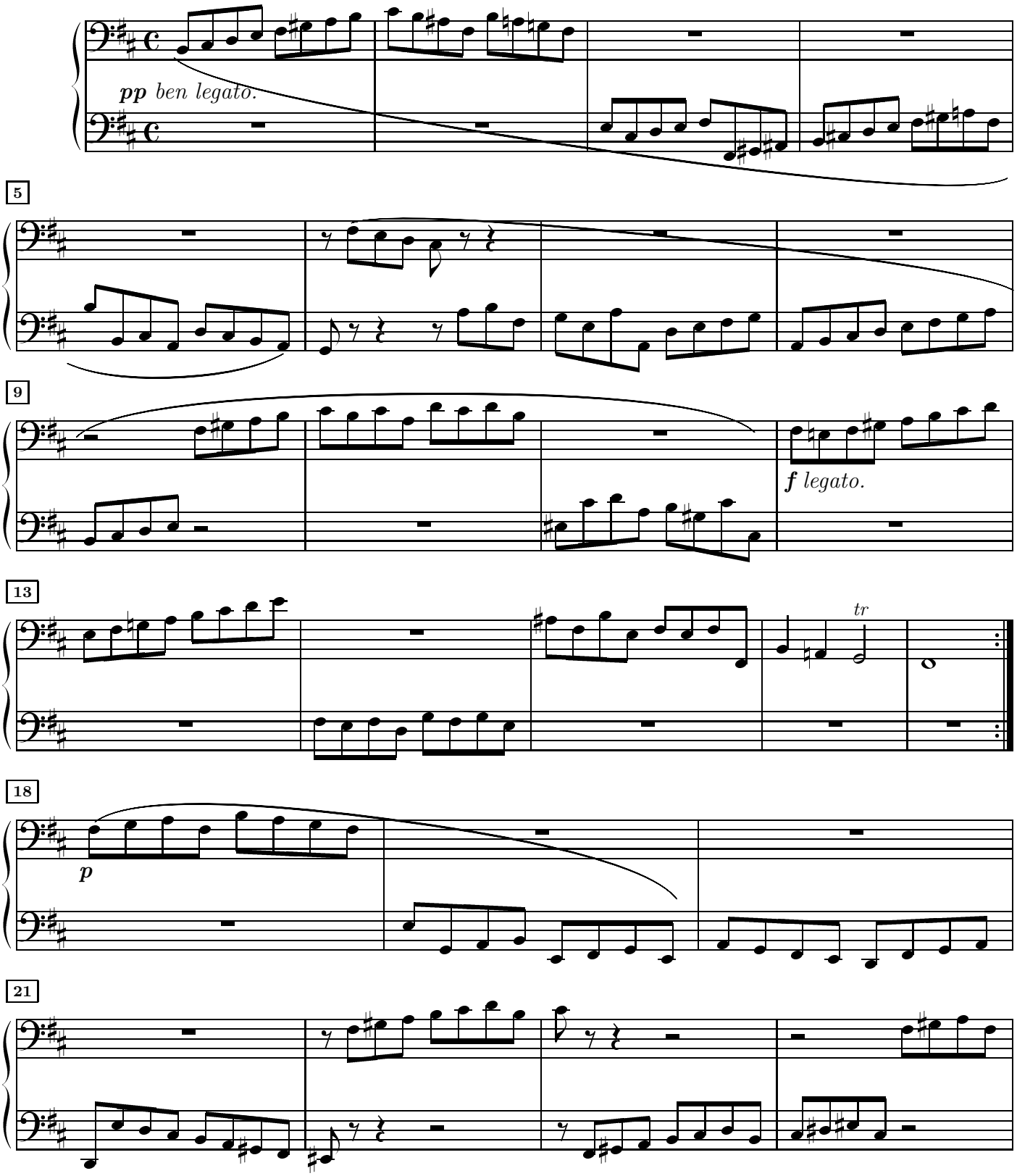

20
22
24
f
p
27
29
f
tr
32
tr
rall.
dim.

24.e en si mineur

Prélude

Andante.

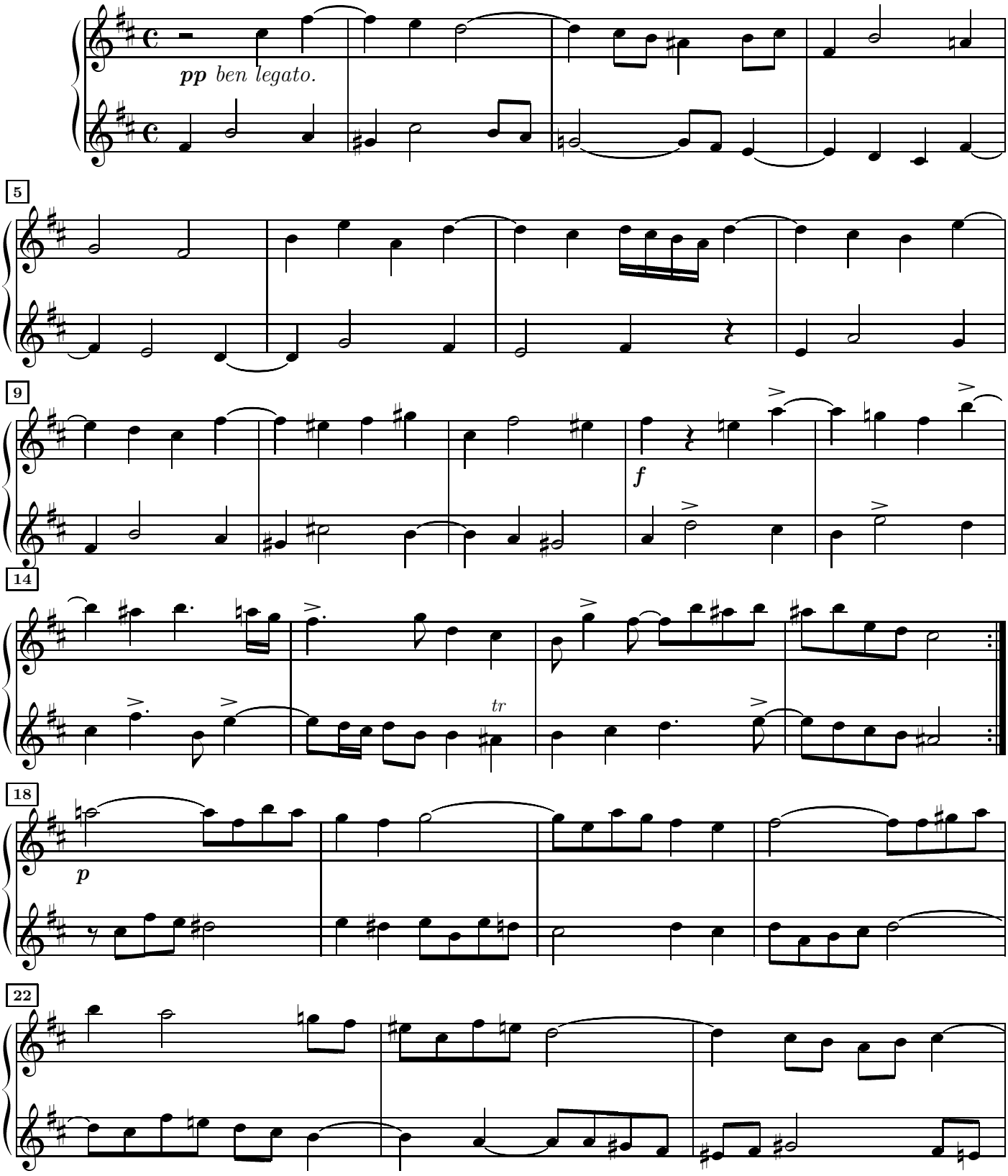
J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

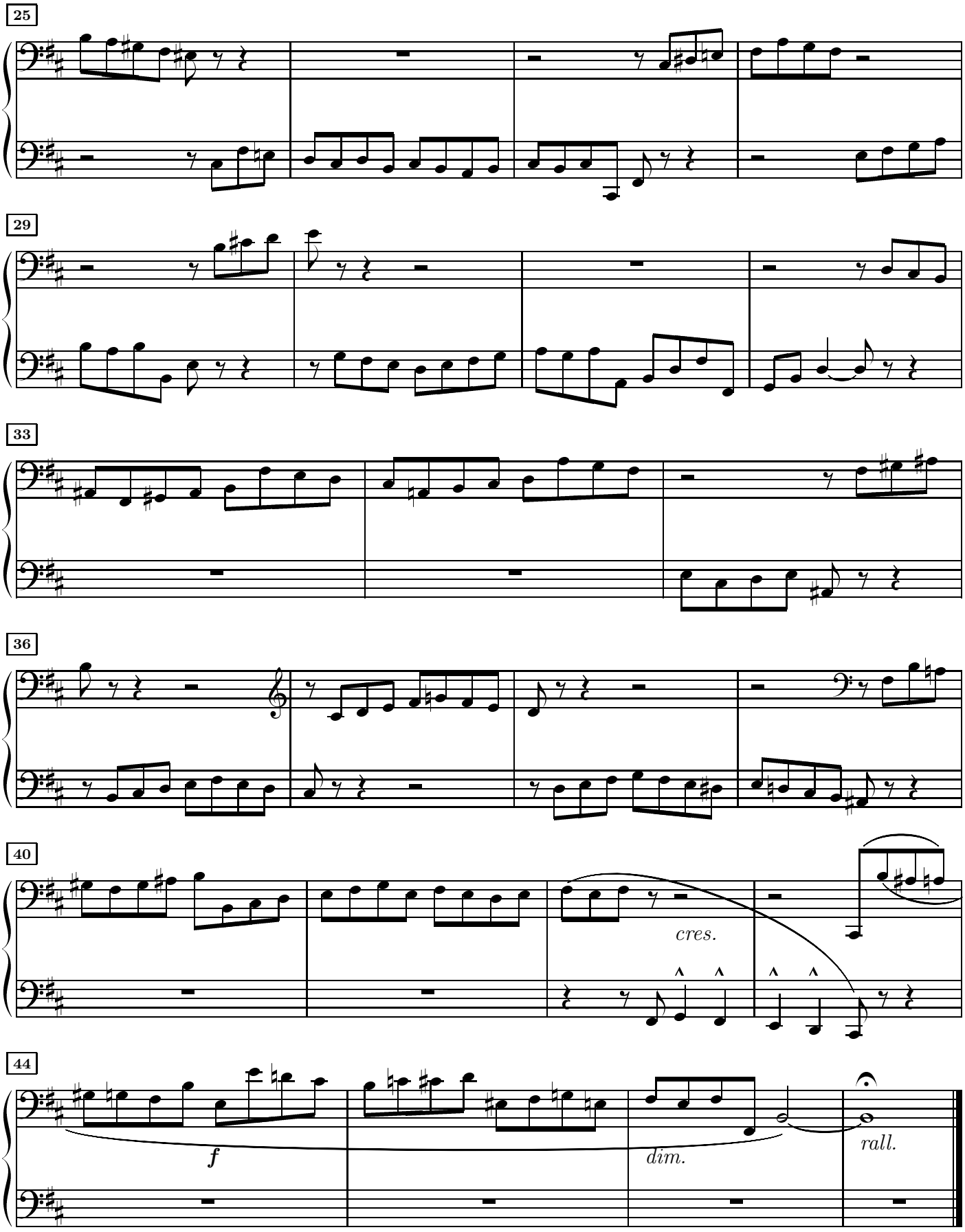


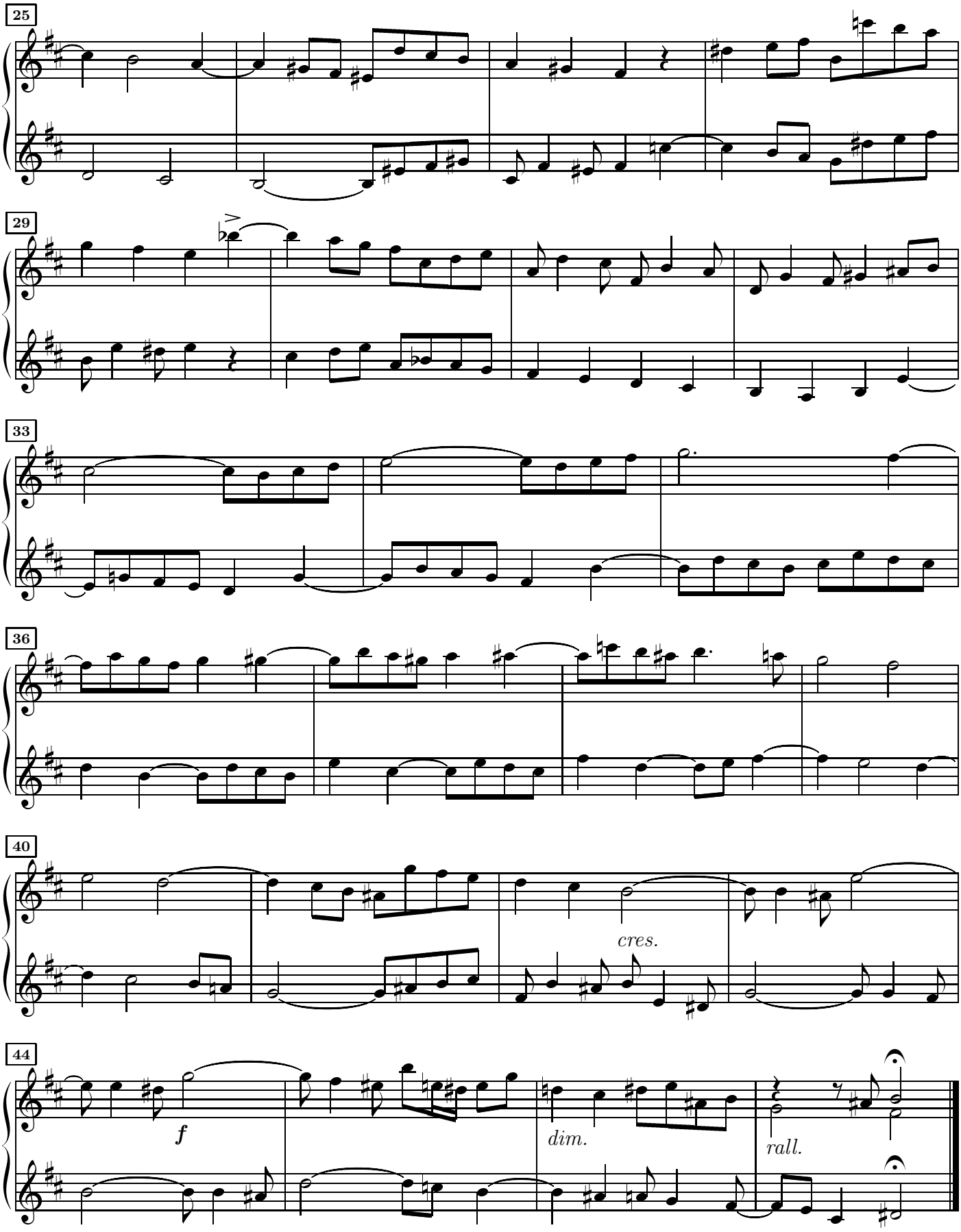
24.e en si mineur

Prélude
Andante.

J.S.Bach
arr. H.J.Bertini

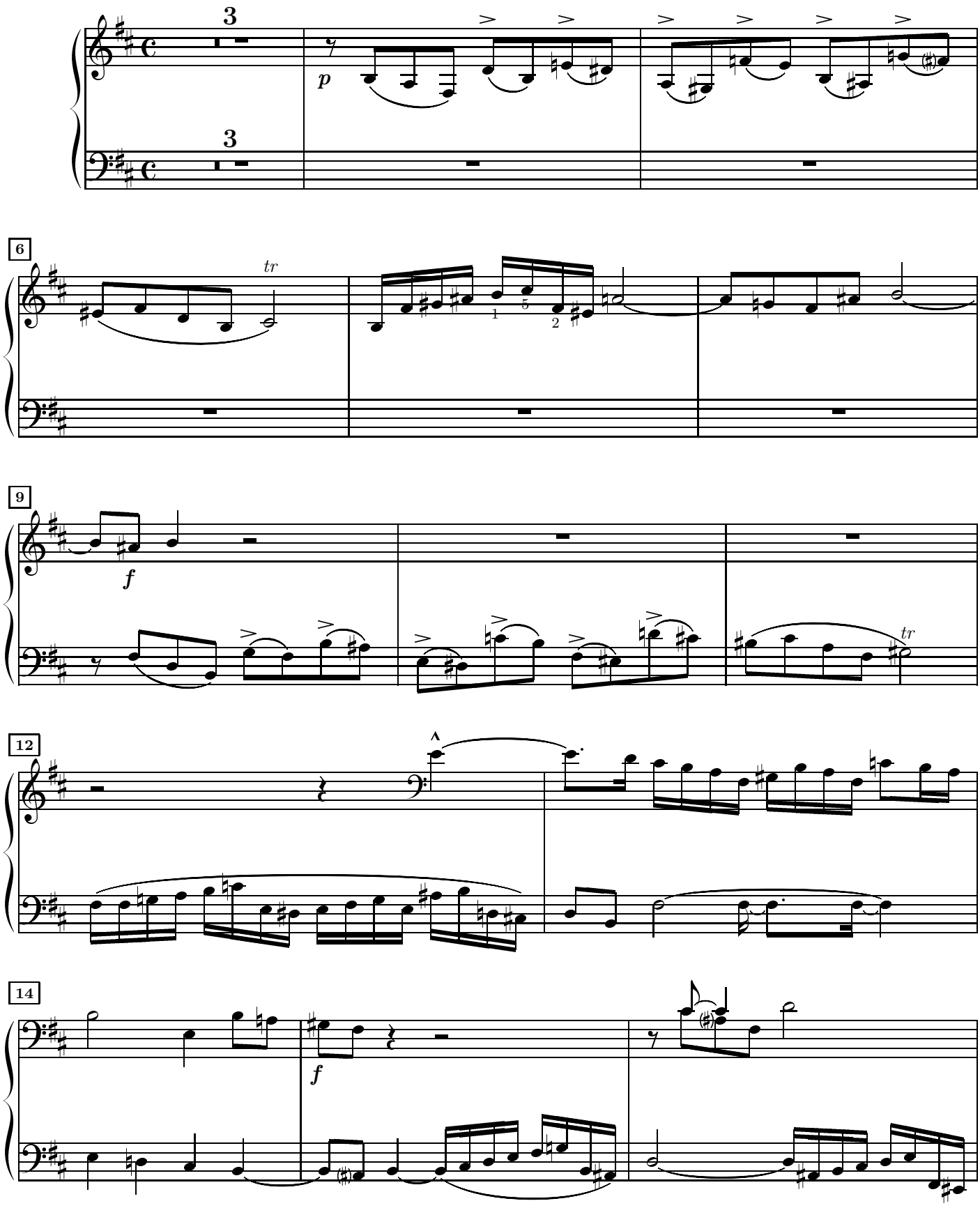



25
29
33
36
40
cres.
44
f
dim.
rall.


25
29
33
36
40
cres.
44
f
dim.
rall.

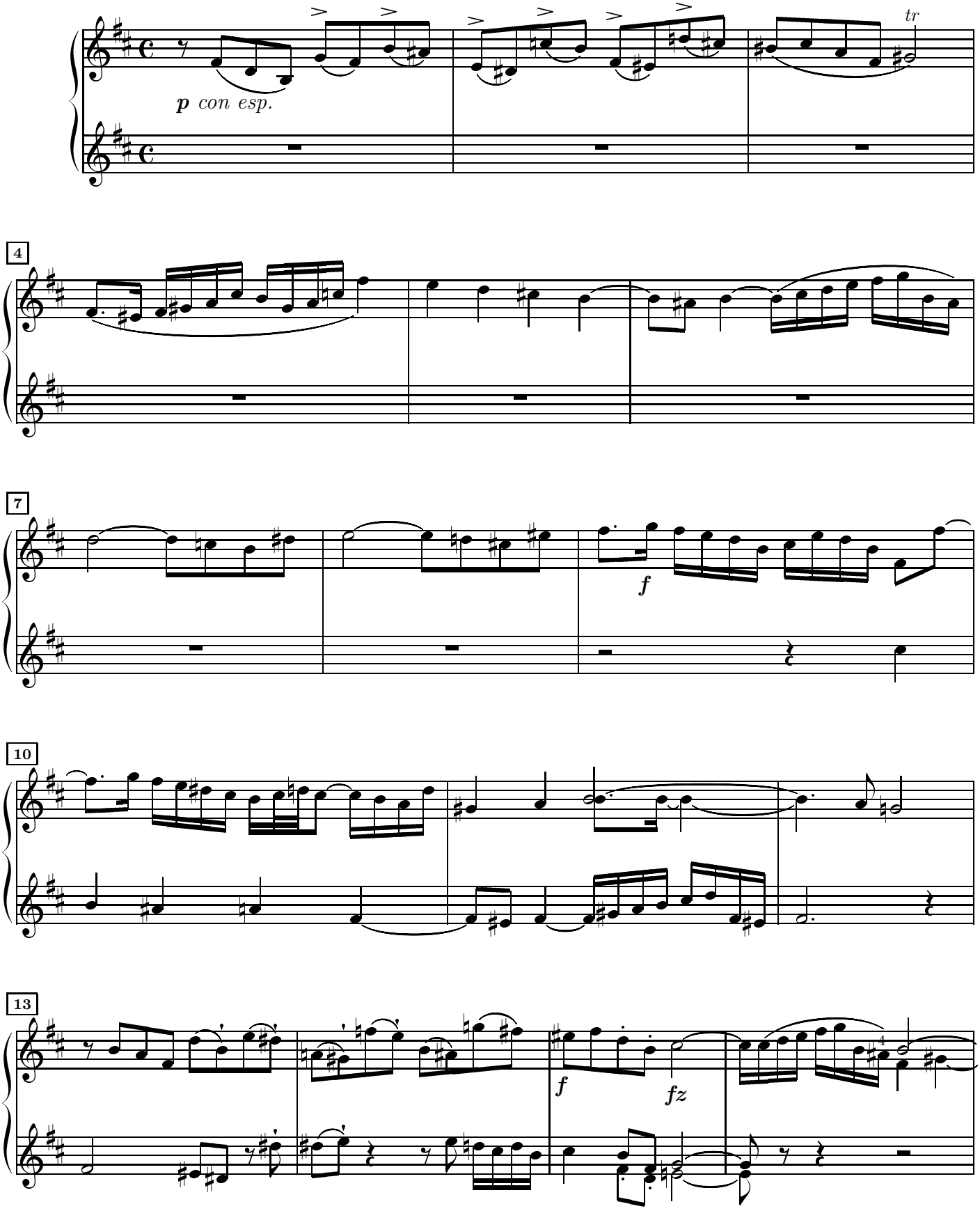
Fugue à 4 voix

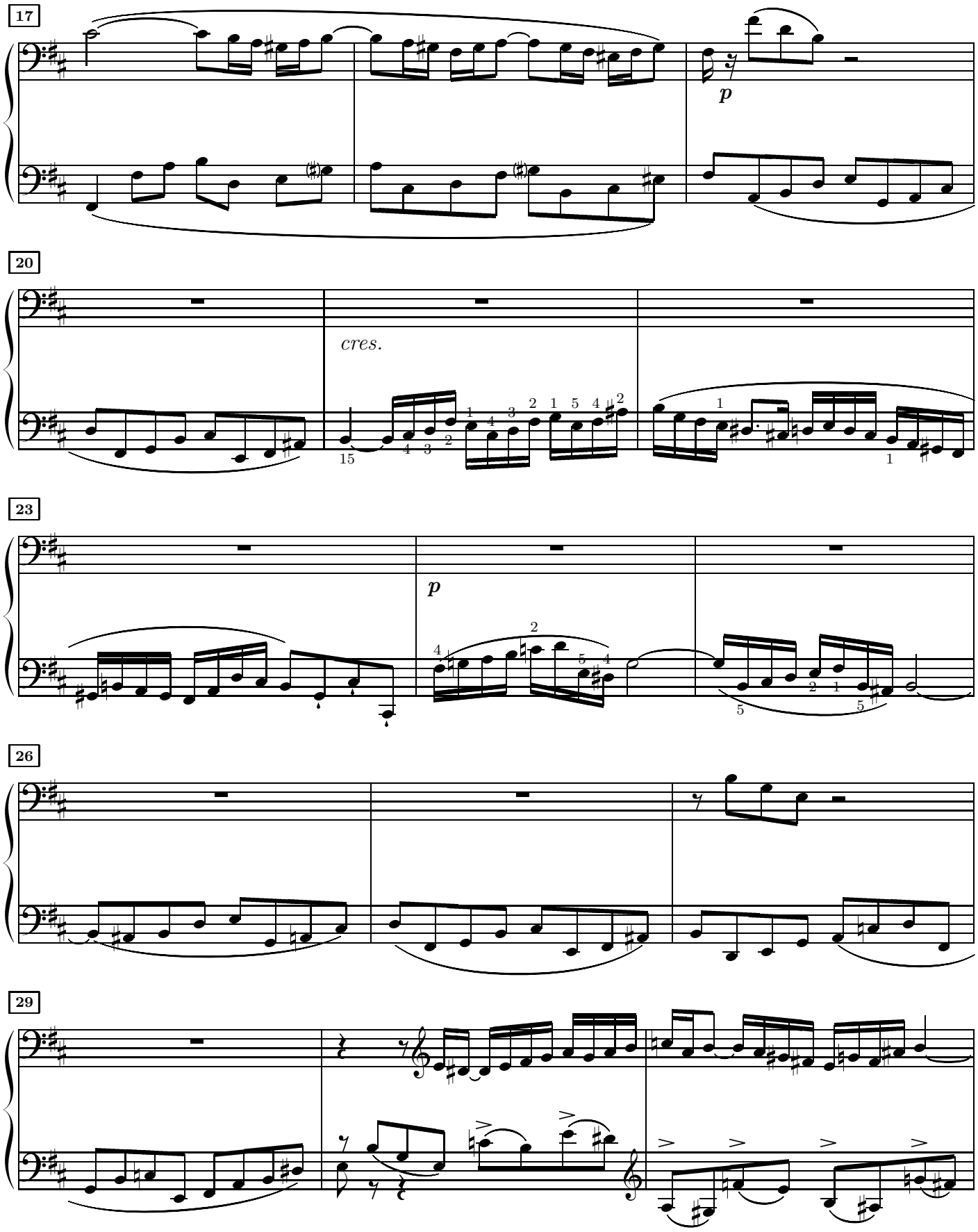
Largo.

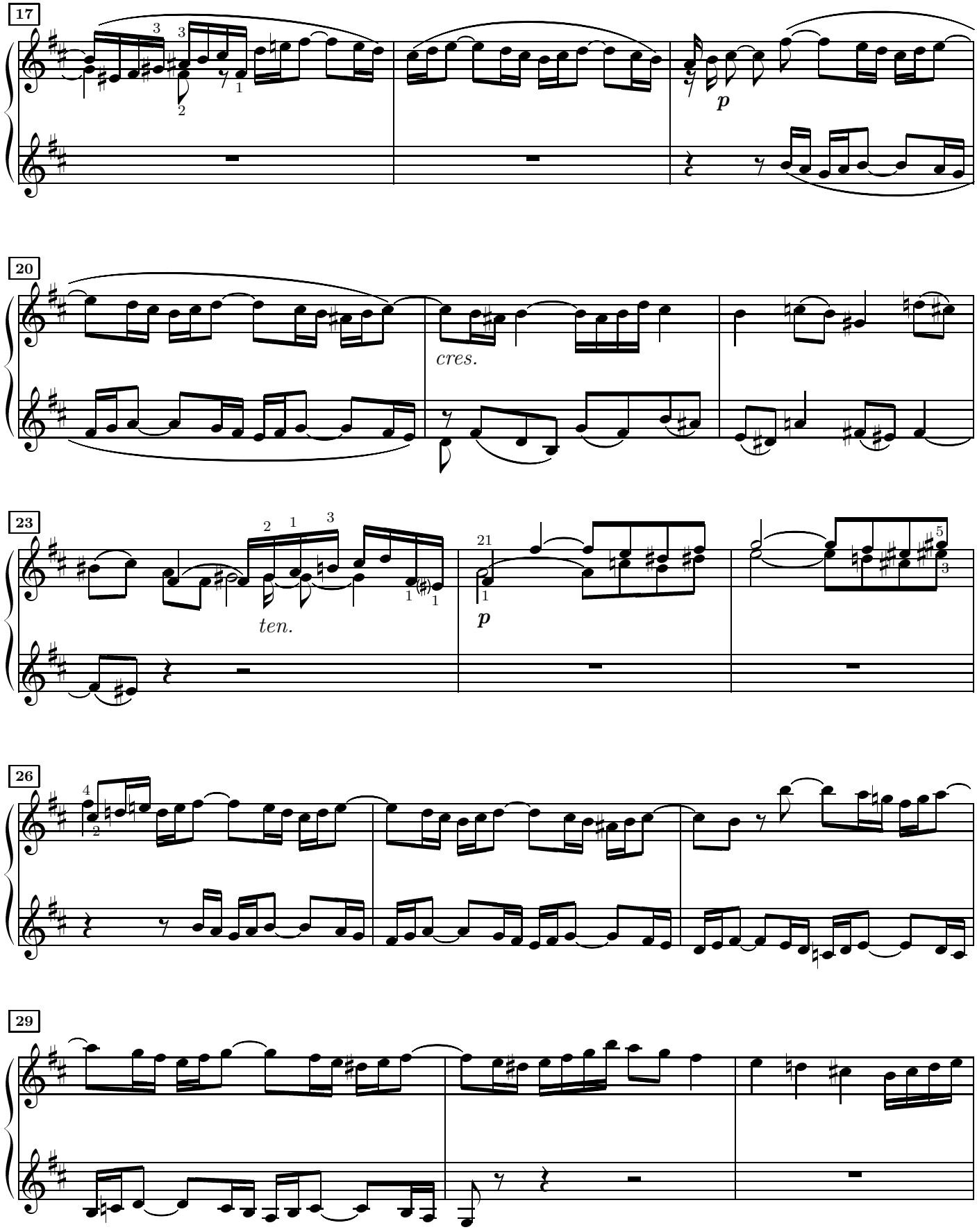


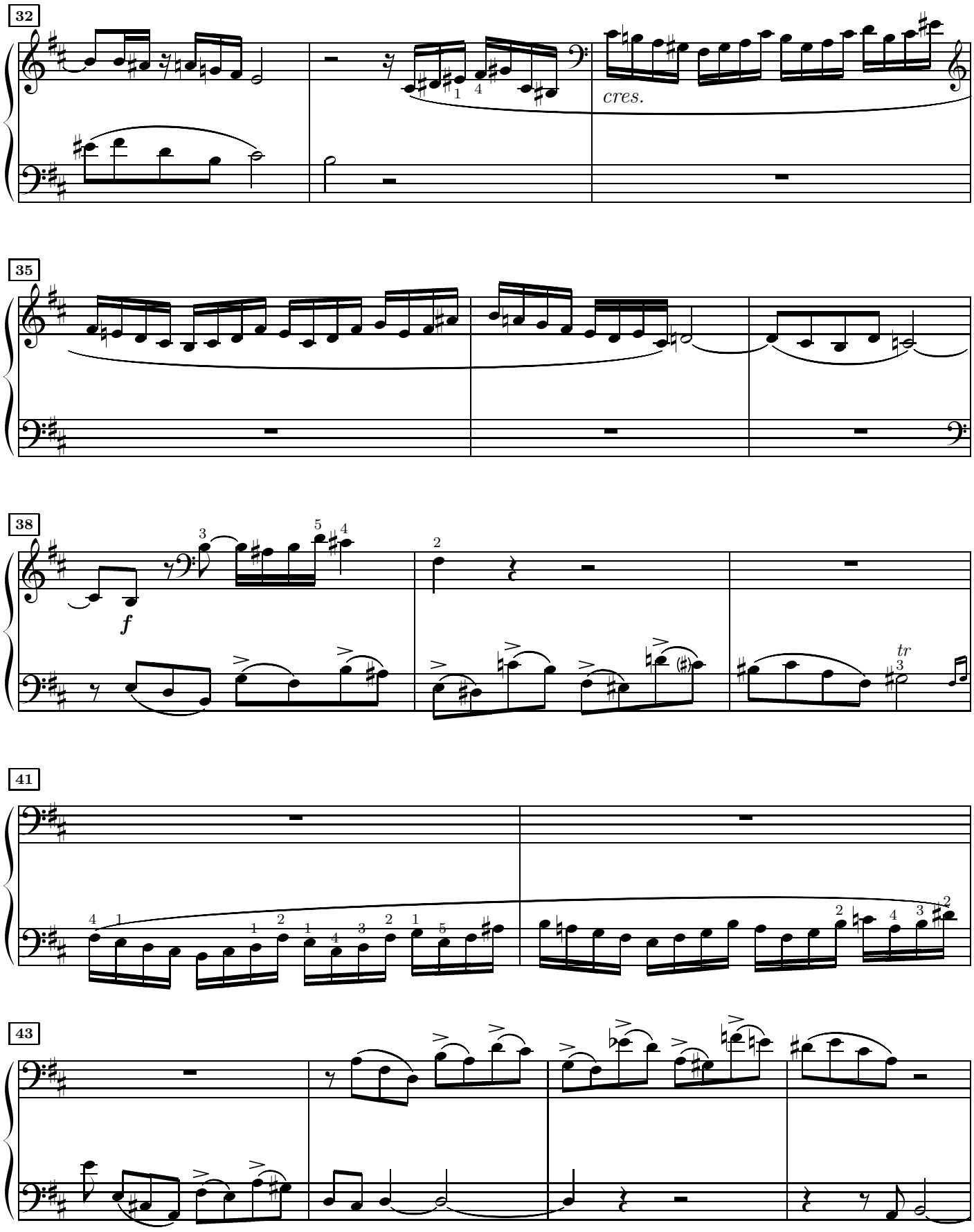
Fugue à 4 voix

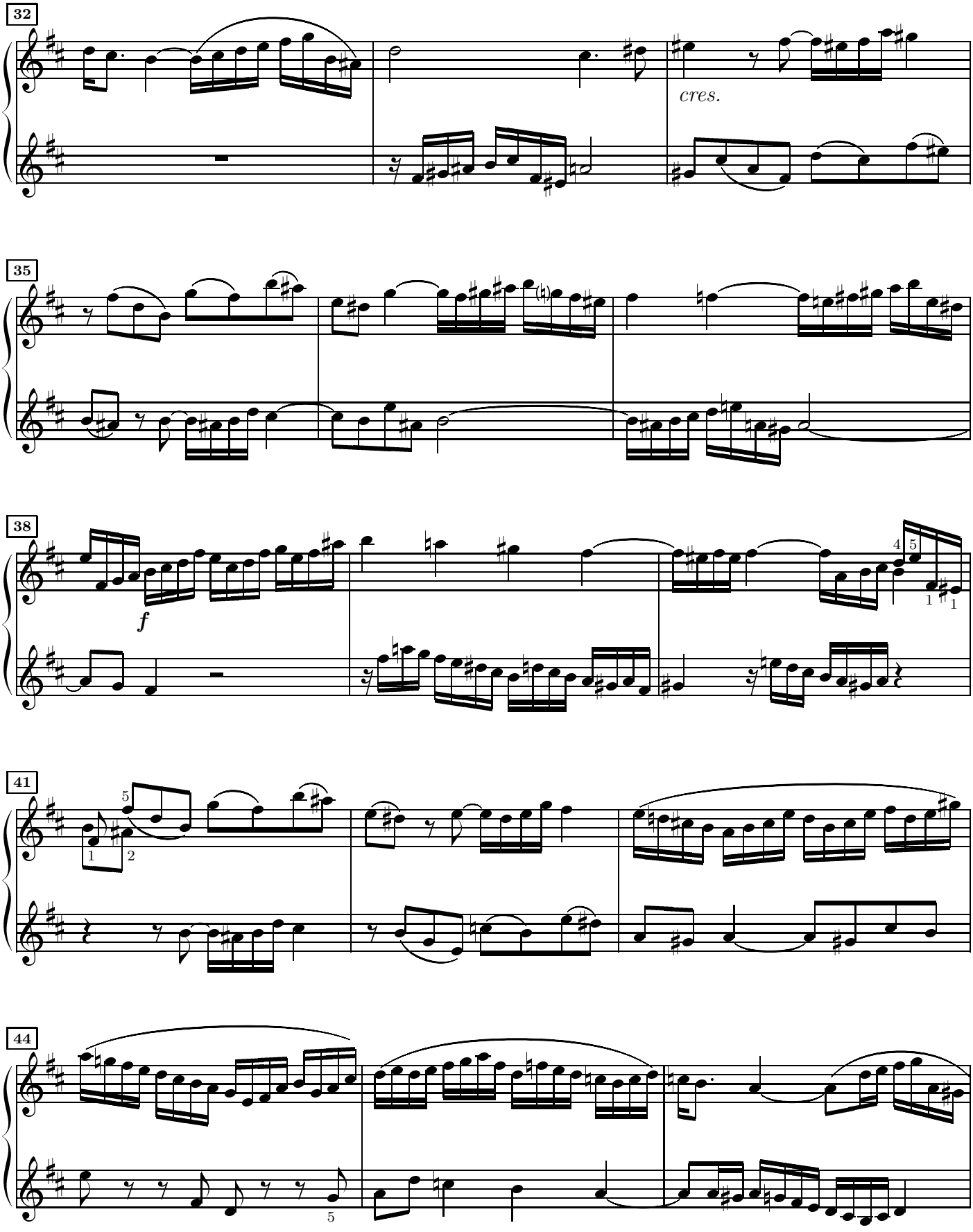
Largo.

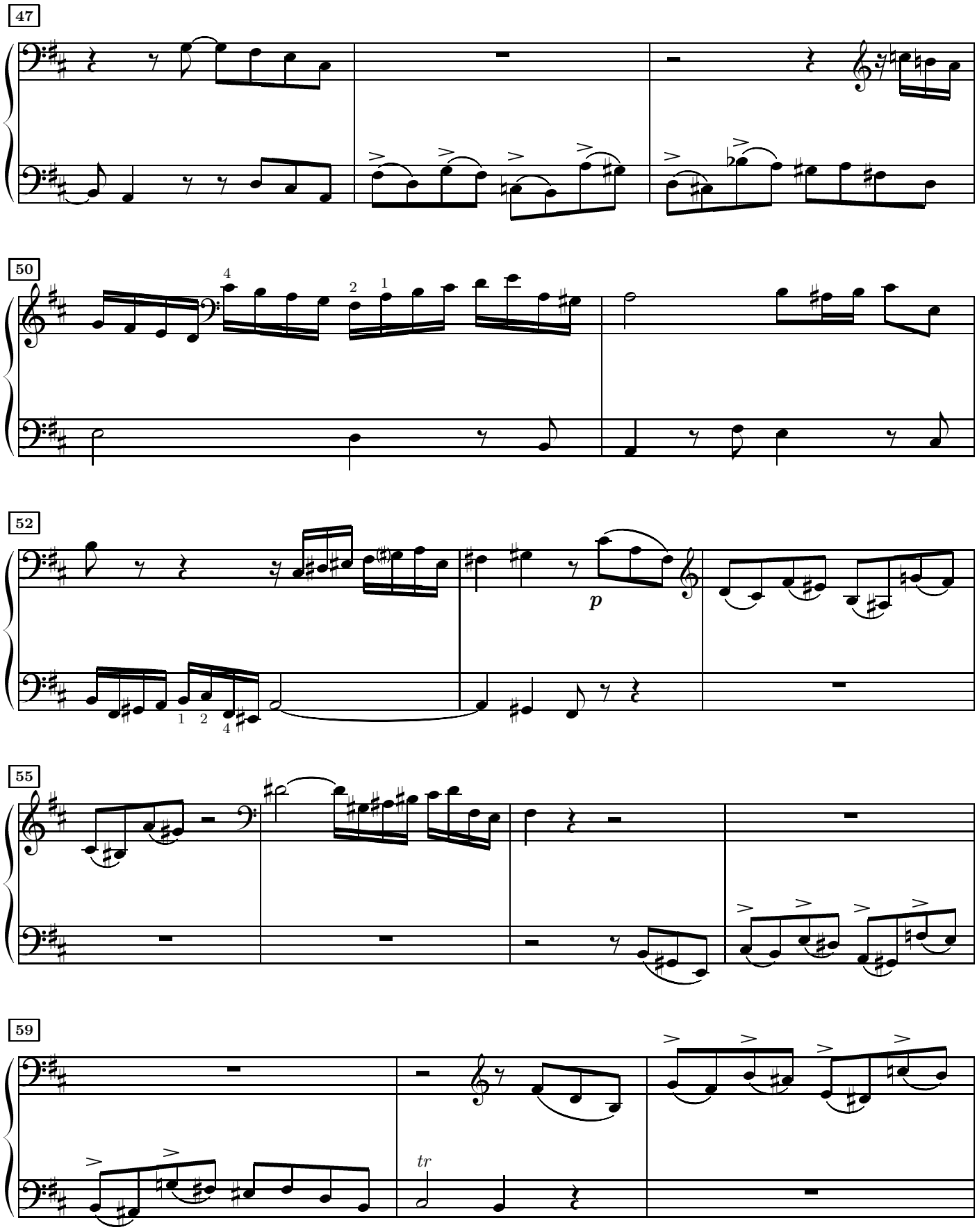


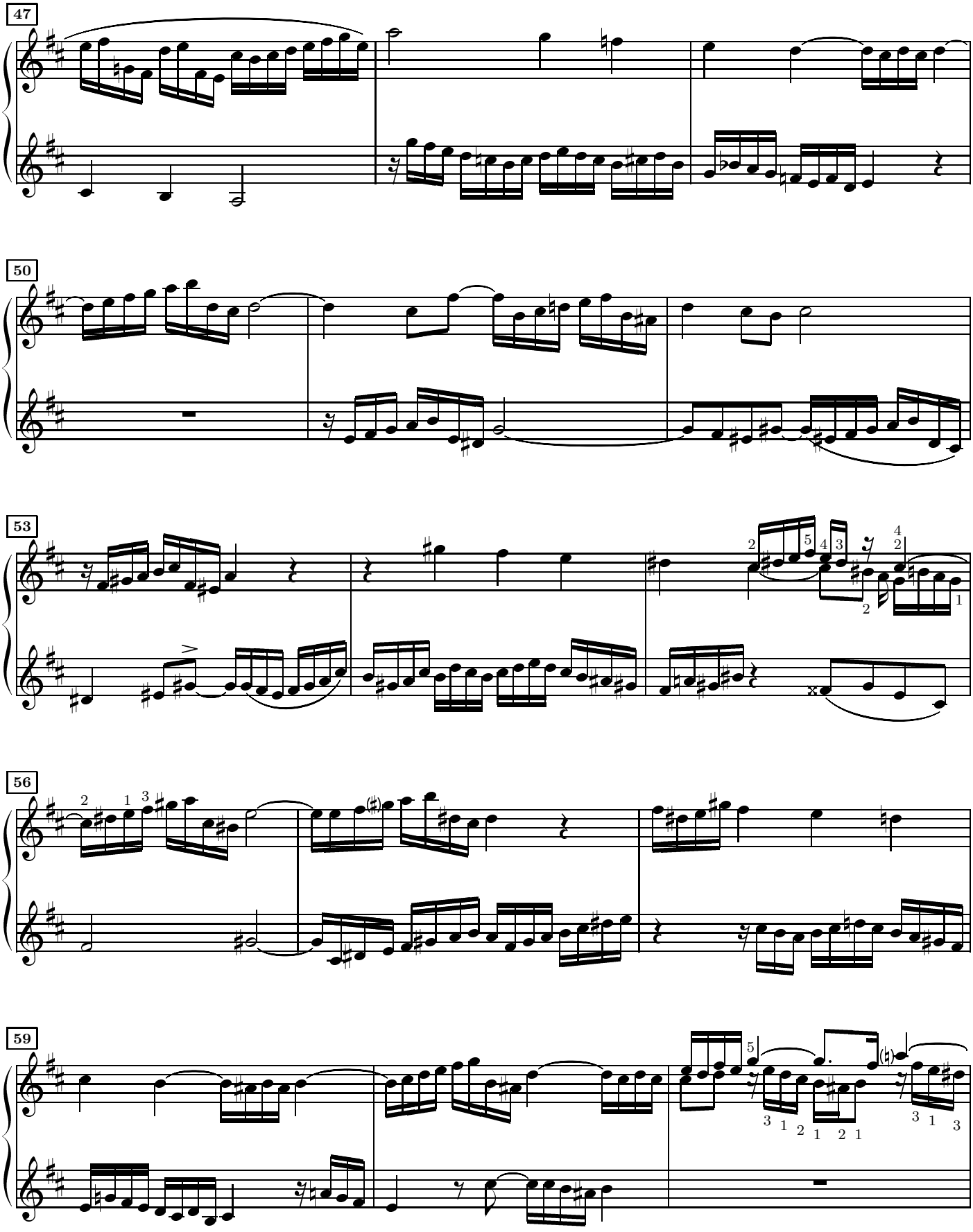

17
p
20
cres.
23
p
26
29

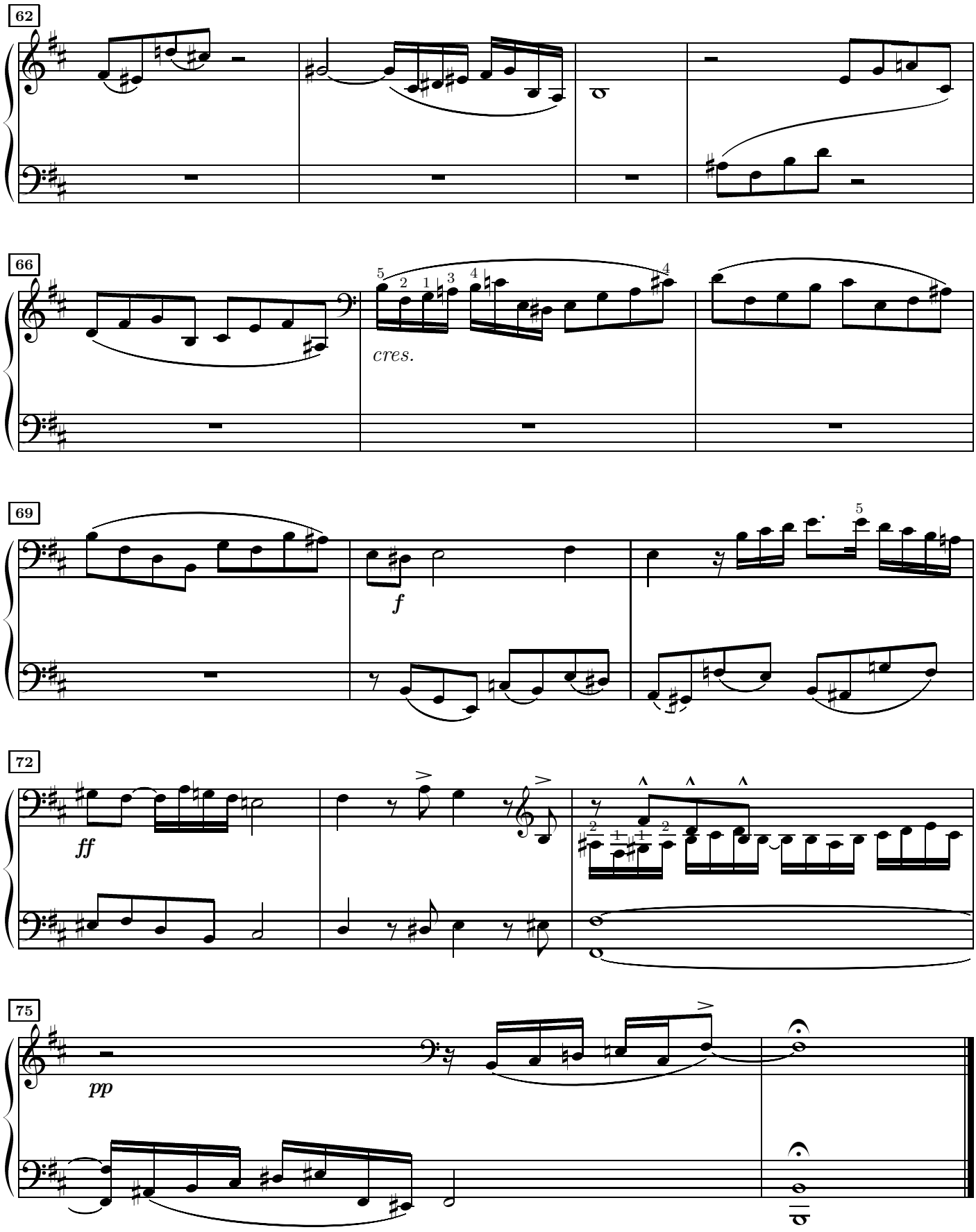

17
p
20
cres.
23
ten.
21
p
26
29

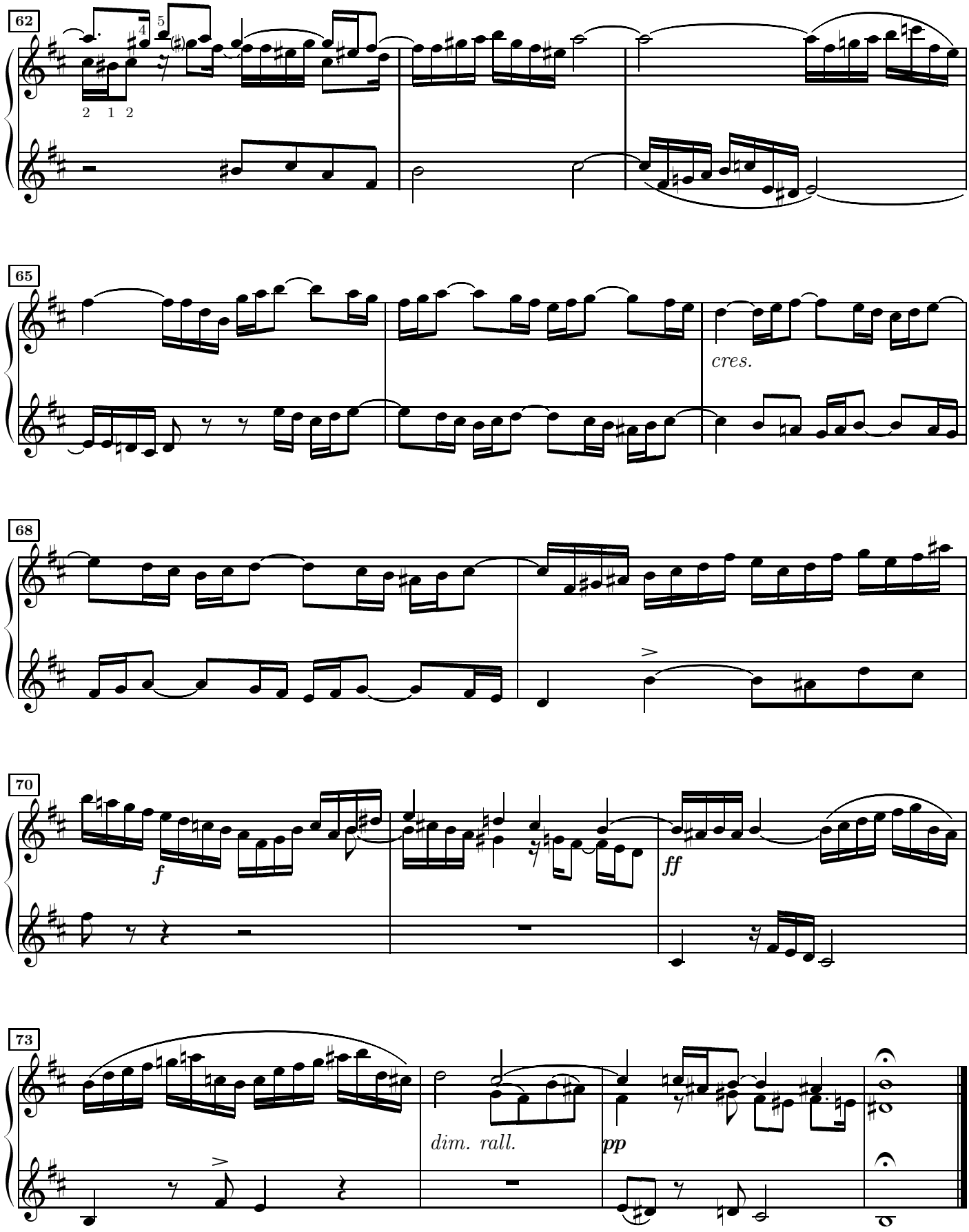

32
cres.
35
38
f
tr
41
43


32
cres.
35
38
f
41
44


47
50
52
p
55
59
tr


47
50
53
56
59


62
66
cres.
69
f
72
ff
75
pp


62
65
cres.
68
70
f
ff
73
dim. rall.
pp

Le Clavier bien tempéré I — Table des matières

1.re en ut majeur
prélude . . . 2
fugue à 4 voix . . . 4

2.e en ut mineur
prélude . . . 8
fugue à 3 voix . . . 12

3.e en ut dièse majeur
prélude . . . 16
fugue à 3 voix . . . 22

4.e en ut dièse mineur
prélude . . . 28
fugue à 5 voix . . . 32

5.e en ré majeur
prélude . . . 38
fugue à 4 voix . . . 42

6.e en ré mineur
prélude . . . 46
fugue à 3 voix . . . 50

7.e en mi bémol majeur
prélude . . . 54
fugue à 3 voix . . . 62

8.e en mi bémol mineur
prélude . . . 66
fugue à 3 voix . . . 70

9.e en mi majeur
prélude . . . 78
fugue à 3 voix . . . 82

10.e en mi mineur
prélude . . . 86
fugue à 2 voix . . . 92

11.e en fa majeur
prélude . . . 94
fugue à 3 voix . . . 96

12.e en fa mineur
prélude . . . 100
fugue à 4 voix . . . 104

13.e en fa dièse majeur
prélude . . . 110
fugue à 3 voix . . . 112

14.e en fa dièse mineur
prélude . . . 116
fugue à 4 voix . . . 120

15.e en sol majeur
prélude . . . 124
fugue à 3 voix . . . 128

16.e en sol mineur
prélude . . . 138
fugue à 4 voix . . . 142

17.e en la bémol majeur
prélude . . . 146
fugue à 4 voix . . . 150

18.e en sol dièse mineur
prélude . . . 154
fugue à 4 voix . . . 150

19.e en la majeur
prélude . . . 162
fugue à 3 voix . . . 166

20.e en la mineur
prélude . . . 174
fugue à 4 voix . . . 178

21.e en si bémol majeur
prélude . . . 190
fugue à 3 voix . . . 192

22.e en si bémol mineur
prélude . . . 196
fugue à 5 voix . . . 200

23.e en si majeur
prélude . . . 204
fugue à 4 voix . . . 206

24.e en si mineur
prélude . . . 210
fugue à 4 voix . . . 214