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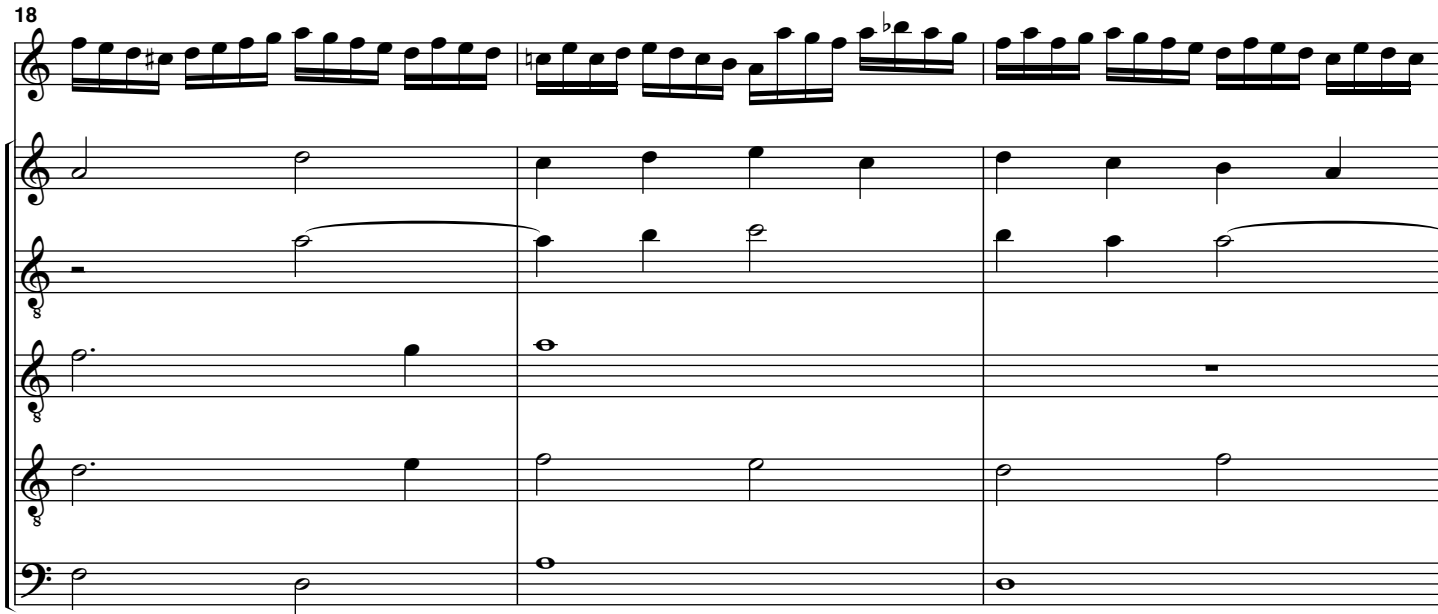
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System 14: A musical score system starting at measure 14. It features a single melodic line in the upper staff with eighth and sixteenth notes, and a multi-measure rest in the lower staff.

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System 18: A musical score system starting at measure 18. It features a single melodic line in the upper staff with eighth and sixteenth notes, and a multi-measure rest in the lower staff.

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System 21: A musical score system starting at measure 21. It features a single melodic line in the upper staff with eighth and sixteenth notes, and a multi-measure rest in the lower staff.

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Measures 26-29 of the musical score. The system consists of six staves. The top staff (treble clef) features a complex melodic line with many eighth and sixteenth notes. The second staff (treble clef) has a whole note followed by a half note, then a quarter note, and a half note. The third staff (treble clef) has a half note, a quarter note, and a half note. The fourth staff (treble clef) has a half note, a quarter note, and a half note. The fifth staff (treble clef) has a half note, a quarter note, and a half note. The bottom staff (bass clef) has a whole note, a half note, and a whole note.

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Measures 30-32 of the musical score. The system consists of six staves. The top staff (treble clef) features a complex melodic line with many eighth and sixteenth notes. The second staff (treble clef) has a whole note, a half note, and a whole note. The third staff (treble clef) has a whole note, a half note, and a whole note. The fourth staff (treble clef) has a whole note, a half note, and a whole note. The fifth staff (treble clef) has a whole note, a half note, and a whole note. The bottom staff (bass clef) has a whole note, a half note, and a whole note.

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Measures 33-35 of the musical score. The system consists of six staves. The top staff (treble clef) features a complex melodic line with many eighth and sixteenth notes. The second staff (treble clef) has a whole note, a half note, and a whole note. The third staff (treble clef) has a whole note, a half note, and a whole note. The fourth staff (treble clef) has a whole note, a half note, and a whole note. The fifth staff (treble clef) has a whole note, a half note, and a whole note. The bottom staff (bass clef) has a whole note, a half note, and a whole note.

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Musical score for measures 36-38. The system consists of six staves. The top staff has a treble clef and contains a complex melodic line with many sixteenth and thirty-second notes. The second staff has a treble clef and contains a simple harmonic line with half notes and whole notes, some with slurs. The third and fourth staves have treble clefs and contain half notes and whole notes, with the fourth staff having a slur. The fifth staff has a treble clef and contains half notes and whole notes. The bottom staff has a bass clef and contains half notes and whole notes, with a slur across measures 37 and 38.

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Musical score for measures 39-41. The system consists of six staves. The top staff has a treble clef and contains a complex melodic line with many sixteenth and thirty-second notes. The second staff has a treble clef and contains a simple harmonic line with half notes and whole notes, some with slurs. The third and fourth staves have treble clefs and contain half notes and whole notes, with the fourth staff having a slur. The fifth staff has a treble clef and contains half notes and whole notes. The bottom staff has a bass clef and contains half notes and whole notes, with a slur across measures 40 and 41.

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