Fugal Analysis

Bach's Prelude and Fugue in B-flat Major BWV 866

1. Exposition

- a) Clearly label the subjects on the music with an (S)
- b) Clearly label the answers as either a tonal answer (TA) or a real answer (RA)
- c) How many countersubjects does this fugue have?

 $\Box 1 \quad \Box 2 \quad \Box 3 \quad \Box$ none

- d) Label the counter subjects, if any, with (CS1) (CS2) ex.
- e) Does this exposition feature a link?
 - \Box yes \Box no
- **f)** The fourth entry of the subject is a:
 - \Box stretto \Box redundant entry \Box double exposition \Box sequence
- g) In which bar does the exposition end and why?

2. Post-expositional Fugal Development

- a) Label each complete statement of the theme (TH) in the fugal development.
- b) How many episodes does this development contain?
- c) Name the sequence in m. 19 21:
 - \Box descending fifths \Box descending thirds \Box ascending fifths \Box ascending 6-5
- d) The left hand material in this sequence is:
 - \Box from the subject \Box from the counter subject(s) \Box free counterpoint
- e) This left hand material in this sequence is an example of:
 - \Box harmonic inversion \Box melodic inversion \Box imitation
- f) In m. 22, the subject appears in an inner part. What is occurring underneath?

 \Box stretto \Box diminution \Box a counter subject \Box augmentation

- g) When compared to their original occurrence, the placement of these two parts represent:
 - \Box melodic inversion \Box harmonic inversion \Box harmonic and melodic inversion
- h) What key is this passage in?

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i) Observe m. 26-30. What best describes the inner part?

 \Box free counterpoint \Box an incomplete subject in E-flat \Box CS1 in C minor

j) Name the sequence from mm. 30 - 33:

□ descending fifths □ descending thirds □ ascending fifths □ ascending 6-5
k) The left hand material in this sequence is:

 \Box from the subject \Box from the counter subject(s) \Box free counterpoint

I) Name the key at mm. 35:

3. Coda

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The beginning of the coda may be difficult to spot since the reappearance of the home key does not coincide with the entrance of a subject.

a) Analyze the harmony in measures 35, 36, and 37.

b) Analyze the harmony from m. 41 - 46.

c) If coda means stable tonic harmony, in what measure does the coda start?

d) If coda means the reappearance of the subject in the home key, where does the coda start?

e) Why might listeners be unable to determine which of these two locations is the real coda?

f) As an ARCT Analysis students, which of these is of greatest importance when locating codas?

- \Box reinstatements of the subject in the home key
- \Box a perfect cadence in the home key
- \Box stable harmony & pedal tones in the home key
- $\hfill\square$ homophonic texture

g) As an ARCT Analysis students, where does the real coda start?























