

### 3. Ah, Belinda!

Henry Purcell

The musical score consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The time signature varies between common time (indicated by '4') and 3/4 time.

**Staff 1:** Features lyrics "Ah! Ah! Ah! Be- lin- da," with a basso continuo line below. The basso continuo line uses Roman numerals (I, II, III) above the staff and letters (a, b, c) below the staff to indicate harmonic changes.

**Staff 2:** Features lyrics "I am prest With tor- ment, Ah, Ah, Ah, Be- lin- da," continuing from Staff 1.

**Staff 3:** Features lyrics "I am prest With tor- ment not to be con- fest," continuing from Staff 2.

**Staff 4:** Features lyrics "Peace and I are stran- gers grown, Peace and I are stran- gers," continuing from Staff 3.

The basso continuo line at the bottom of each staff provides harmonic support, with Roman numerals and letters indicating the progression of chords.

stran- gers grown, I lan- guish till my Grief is known, I lan-

guish till my Grief is known, Yet would not, yet

would not, would not have it guess'd Peace and

I are stran- gers grown, peace and I are stran- gers, stran- gers

## Ritornello

[60]

grown.

[65]

a e a