

# Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein (BWV 641)

Analysis from Gene Biringer's Schenker Text, Ex. 5-27

J.S. Bach

The image displays a musical score for the chorale "Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein" by J.S. Bach, BWV 641. The score is presented in two staves, treble and bass clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The music is analyzed using Schenkerian notation, featuring various annotations:

- Red annotations:** Above the treble staff, there are three red numbers with carets:  $\hat{3}$ ,  $\hat{2}$ , and  $\hat{1}$ , indicating structural levels or measures.
- Blue annotations:** The letters "P" and "N" are placed above and below the notes, likely representing "Phrasing" and "Nucleus" or similar analytical concepts.
- Purple annotations:** Solid purple lines connect notes across measures, indicating phrasing or voice leading. Dashed purple lines also connect notes, possibly indicating a different level of analysis or a specific voice.
- Green annotations:** At the bottom of the bass staff, there are three green letters: "I", "V", and "I", which likely represent the beginning, middle, and end of a phrase or section.
- Structural lines:** Thick black lines are drawn across the staves, indicating the overall structure and phrasing of the piece.