

# Thou, thou reign'st in this bosom

*Am I not fondly thine own*

Melodie und Text: traditionell (19. Jahrhundert)  
Amerikanische Variante des Volksliedes "Du, du liegst mir am Herzen"

The musical notation is presented in three staves. Staff 1 starts with a quarter note (1), followed by eighth notes (2-5), a sixteenth-note cluster (6), eighth notes (7-8). Staff 2 starts with a quarter note (9), followed by eighth notes (10-14), a sixteenth-note cluster (15). Staff 3 starts with a half note (16), followed by eighth notes (17-20), a sixteenth-note cluster (21), eighth notes (22-23).

1. Thou, thou reign'st in this bosom;  
There, there hast thou thy throne;  
Thou, thou know'st that I love thee,  
Am I not fondly thine own?  
Yes, yes, yes, yes,  
Am I not fondly thine own?
2. Then, then, ev'n as I love thee;  
Say, say wilt thou love me?  
Thoughts, thoughts tender and true love  
Say wilt thou cherish for me?  
Yes, yes, yes, yes,  
Say wilt thou cherish for me?
3. Speak, speak, love I implore thee,  
Say, say, 'hope may be thine;'  
Thou, thou know'st that I love thee,  
Tell me that thou wilt be mine.  
Yes, yes, yes, yes,  
Tell me that thou wilt be mine.