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• to be performed with four percussion instruments of long decay with clearly distinct timbres. for example, circular plates, rectangular bars, hollow tubes, and struck strings such as crotales, glockenspiel, chimes (with c₄ d₄ e₄ and f₄ removed from a set such that they can be struck individually and together), and piano (struck with mallets inside the piano with the sostenuto pedal depressed throughout keeping the dampers off c₄ d₄ e₄ and f₄), respectively. each instrument placed reasonably far apart from the others.

• a pitch in the given score can be transposed such that every occurrence of that pitch is also transposed the same amount and such that the conglomerate chord always consists of four different pitches. for example, all c₄ can be changed to b₄.

• each tone in a given measure struck simultaneously across all parts and allowed to ring freely.

• eight to twelve seconds between each attack.

• a constant strike velocity throughout such that all tones sound clearly and equally present but not loud.

• score is written as sounds.

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- in this alternate version of the score, the vertical level of the notehead indicates one of four predetermined pitches that are the same for the whole ensemble. the original score specifies pitches explicitly.
- each tone in a given measure struck simultaneously across all parts and allowed to ring freely.
- the original score indicates eight to twelve seconds between each attack, but performers should feel free with longer or shorter durations than the original indication.
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