

mute

2000

eldritch Priest

silenced string quartet

- each section (measure - indicated by bar lines) can be of any duration and be either regular or irregular in length to one another throughout
- each player should use a stop watch to measure the time
- the time can be written above the bar lines to help performers keep his/her place
- instruments need not be tuned to a conventional scale
- microtonal movement is very acceptable
- vibrato is optional, though it should be kept to a minimum
- anything may be done to execute the instructions (ie. bending, retuning string during performance, etcetera.)

symbols:



- sustained pitch



- raise/lower fingered pitch from one(s) previous



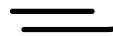
- rearticulate previous pitch



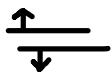
- open string



- harmonic (natural or artificial)



- any fingered double/triple stop



- raise/lower pitch of both strings being sounded

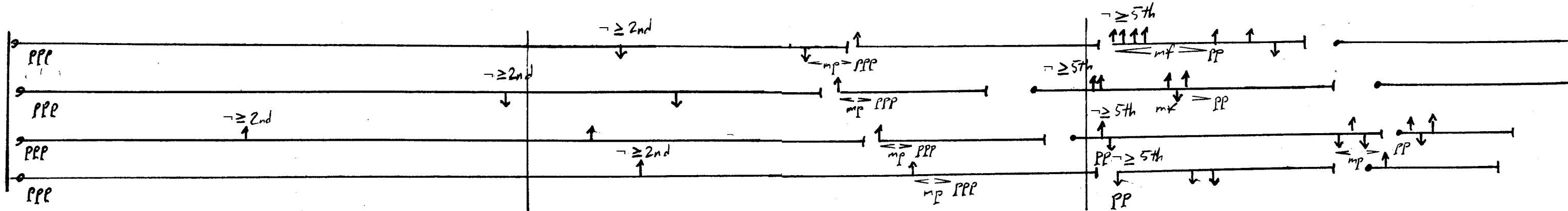


- indicates the maximum/minimum interval that one may move when encountering

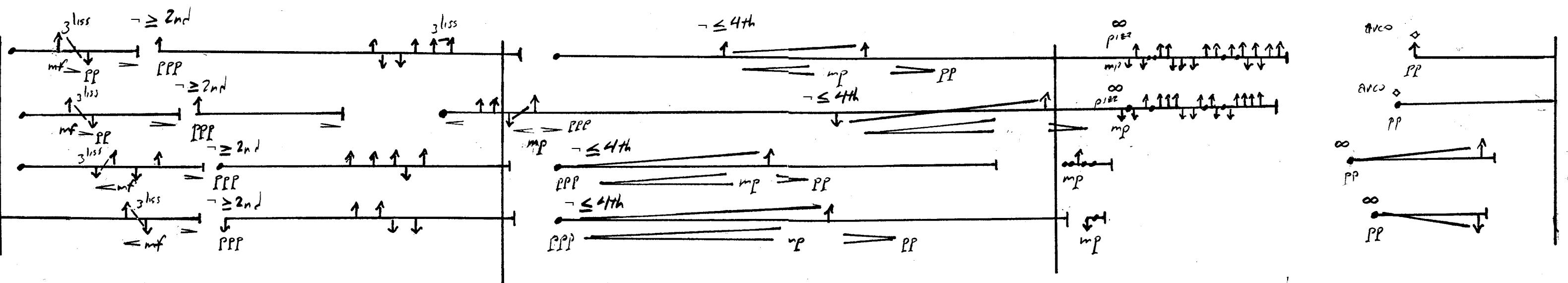
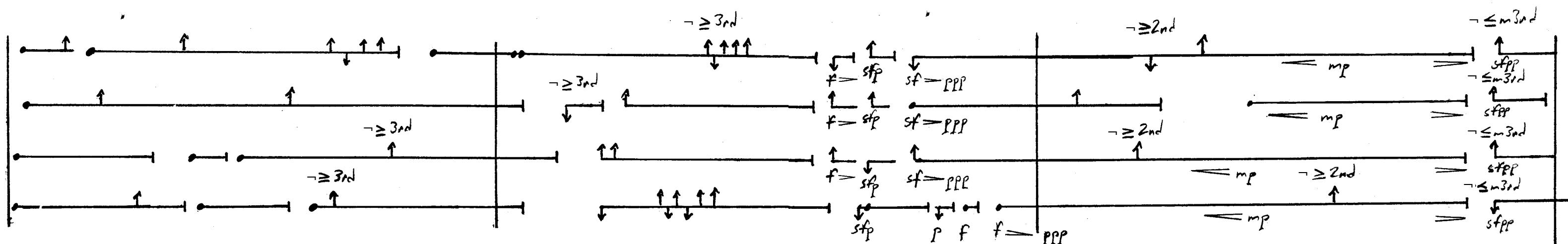


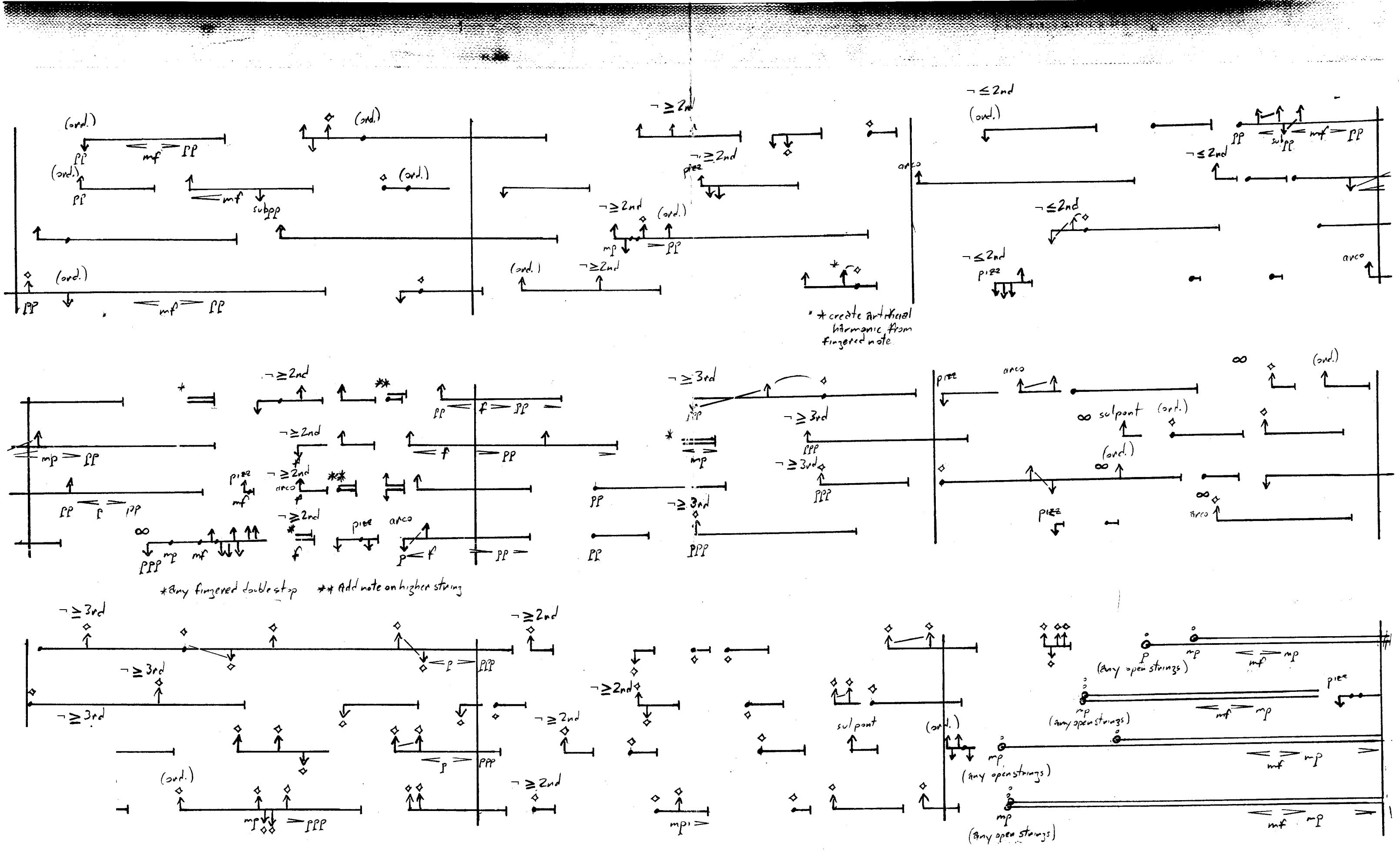
This piece should not make any sound.

- mute -



- All players begin on any open string





(improvise)

* begin with any pitch
** change at least one string

+ any two open strings

- all players, begin with any three open strings

(any pitch)

* begin with any double stop in the not too low register.
** begin somewhere on a lower string

