

# Master's Thesis Assignment



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Title: **Computational Musicology: Models, Methods, and Applications**  
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## Assignment:

1. Based upon the supervisor's instructions, investigate computational musicology and computational models used in this scientific area, including grammars and automata.
2. Formalize selected music notions by the models from part 1 based upon the supervisor's instructions.
3. Based upon the supervisor's instructions, study properties of these models, such as their power and descriptional complexity.
4. Design new methods of making computer music based upon the models from part 1. Consult this design with your supervisor carefully.
5. Apply the achieved methods in music to classify or create selected music passages.
6. Implement the applications from part 5. Evaluate them. Compare them against already existing implementation versions of this kind.
7. Summarize the achieved results of this work. Suggest how to continue with the work.

## Literature:

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Requirements for the semestral defence:  
Items 1 to 3, partially item 4.

Detailed formal requirements can be found at <https://www.fit.vut.cz/study/theses/>

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