# CS280r Final Project Report Αρμονία (Harmonia): A System for Collaborative Music Composition

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#### **Abstract**

Increasing productivity of music composition has many positive benefits. Listeners would appreciate individually tailored music to their emotional needs and context. Composers would be facilitated by greater and more diverse cooperation yielding more innovative music. Composition agents could assist in the generation of repetitive or experimental musical forms. Therapists can use music as part of a treatment plan for autism and many other disorders. The system we propose attempts to address these myriad needs by offering two key innovations: a SharedPlan with collaborative versioning to mediate the workflow of a composition, an algorithmic evaluation of a composition against the intention of the SharedPlan to provide guidance to both human and agent composers.

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Describes the insights that can be taken away from the work reported in the paper.

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Suggests extensions or challenges raised by the project.