







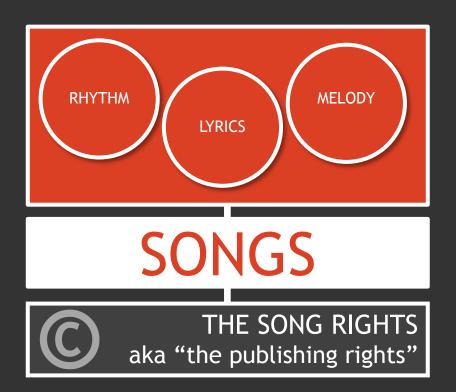
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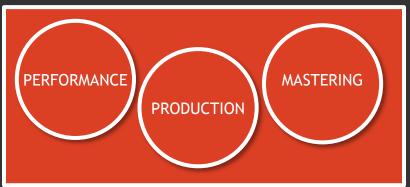
# CMU: DIY GUIDE MUSIC COPYRIGHT EXPLAINED

Copyright is a legal concept which provides creators with certain controls over the outputs of their creativity - which can then be exploited for profit.

### #01: there are two sets of music rights

### THE CORE MUSIC RIGHTS





### RECORDINGS

THE RECORDING RIGHTS aka "the master rights"



## #02: copyright allows music-makers to control what happens to their music

### **COPYRIGHT CONTROLS**

**REPRODUCTION** 

**DISTRIBUTION** 

RENTAL

**ADAPTATION** 

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### **COPYRIGHT CONTROLS**

**MECHANICAL RIGHTS** 

REPRODUCTION

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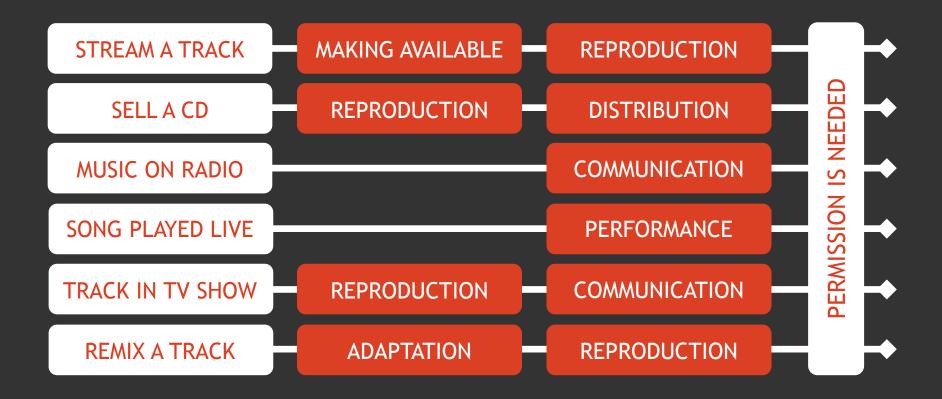
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### **EXPLOITING COPYRIGHT CONTROLS**



### MUSIC LICENSING

If a third party exploits the music

Permission is needed

That's music licensing

But who issues the licence?

#03: music-makers work with business partners to manage their music rights

### **SONGS**



**COLLECTING SOCIETY** 

aka CMO / PRO / MLC

MUSIC PUBLISHER

RIGHTS ADMINISTRATOR

MUSIC PUBLISHING SECTOR focused on the song rights

### RECORDINGS

COLLECTING SOCIETY
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RECORD LABEL

MUSIC DISTRIBUTOR

THE RECORD INDUSTRY focused on the recording rights

### **BUSINESS PARTNERS**

Business partners manage the rights

And might provided other services

Taking a cut of the money in return

May also take ownership of the rights

## #04: copyright is automatic - collaborators need to agree ownership

### **COPYRIGHT OWNERSHIP**

Copyright is automatic - so who are the default owners?

### SONGS

whoever creates, composes and/or writes the song

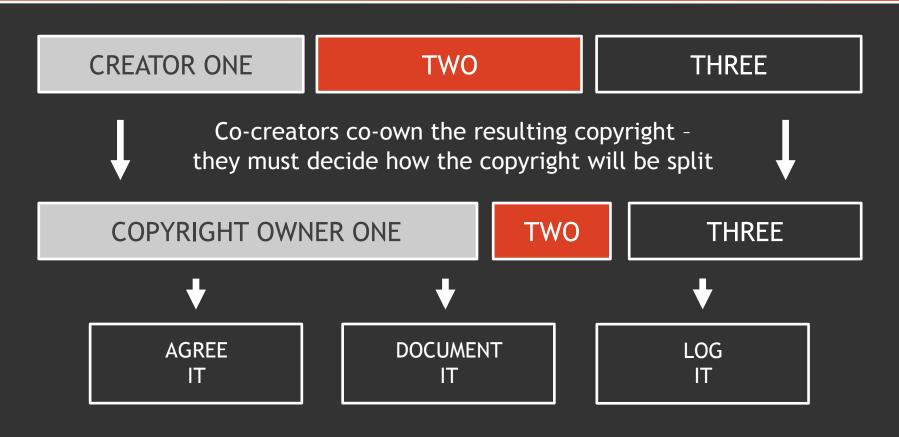
"AUTHOR"

### RECORDINGS

whoever organises for the sound recording to be made

"PRODUCER"

### **COPYRIGHT CO-OWNERSHIP**



Document what you agree with a contract, or one-page split sheet, or exchange of emails, or use an app that can record what you agree.

Log what you agree with the music industry's main databases run by the collecting societies - so PRS for songs and PPL for recordings.

#05: performers have rights even if they don't own the copyright in a recording

### PERFORMER APPROVALS

**FIXATION** 

**REPRODUCTION** 

**DISTRIBUTION** 

**RENTAL** 

LIVE BROADCAST

MAKING AVAILABLE

Performers have a statutory right to payment when the performance or communication controls of the sound recording are exploited - 'performer equitable remuneration'.

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